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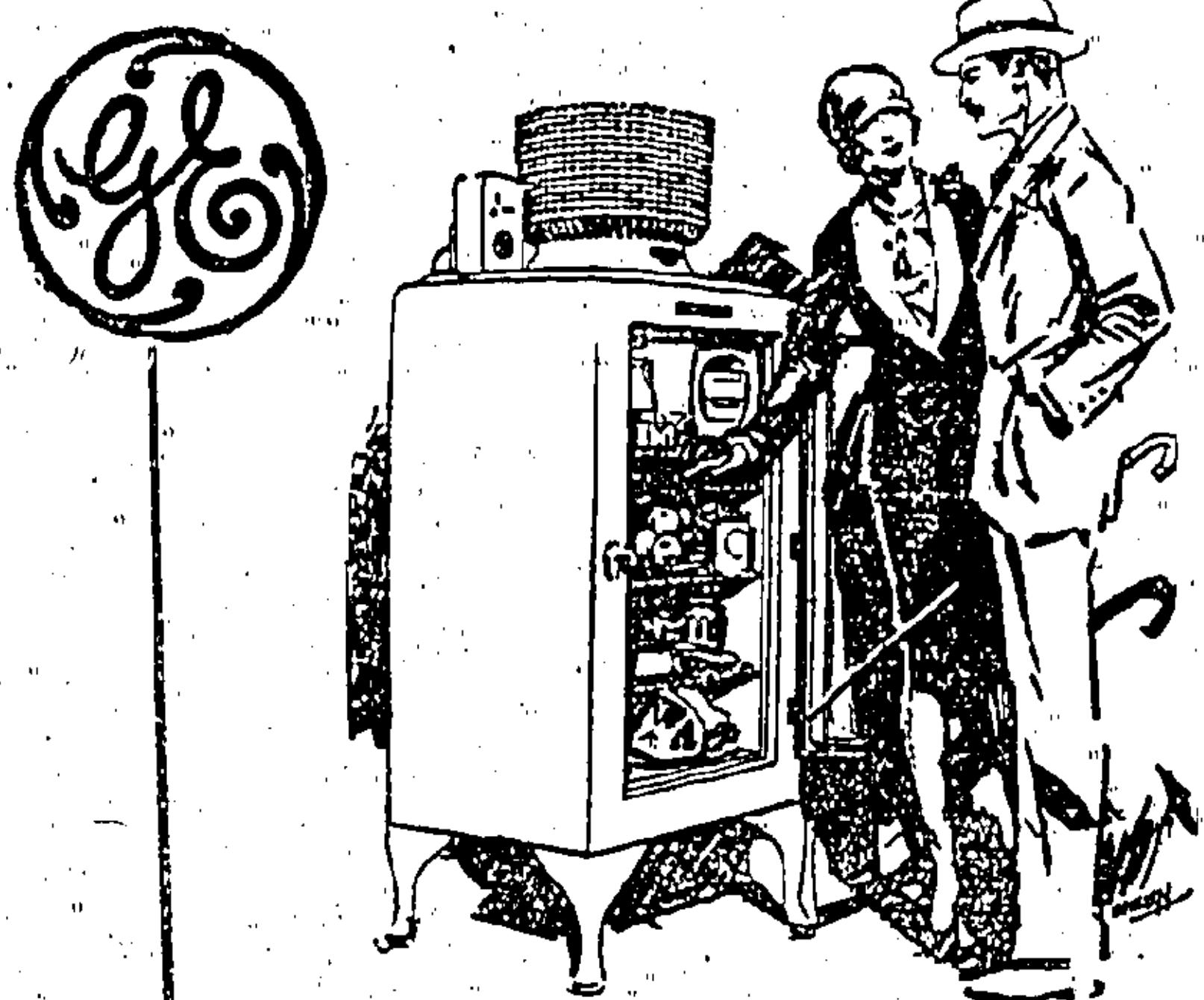
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YACHT CAPTAIN'S ACTION.

OBJECTION TO NEWSPAPER PARAGRAPH.

JURY UNABLE TO AGREE.

A newspaper paragraph referring to the entrance of the Duke of Westminster's yacht Cutty Sark into Deauville Harbour, was the subject of a libel action which was brought before Mr. Justice Horridge by Lieut.-Commander Richard Herbert Mack, R.N. (retired), of Paston Hall, Paston, Norwich, captain of the yacht, against the *Evening Standard* newspaper, of Shoe Lane, E.C.4, in the King's Bench Division.

The words complained of were published on the Women's page under the heading "The Deauville Season Winds Up." The paragraph read:—

"The Duke of Westminster's converted destroyer Cutty Sark came in for 24 hours and nearly went aground when passing the lock. The Duke himself supervised operations and he did not go below until he was assured that the yacht was safely berthed. The captain had a very anxious half-hour."

Reasons for Objections.

The plaintiff said these words meant that he so negligently navigated the Cutty Sark as nearly to ground the ship; that owing to his lack of skill and his incompetence it was necessary for the Duke of Westminster to supervise him and the navigation of the vessel; that by reason of his (the plaintiff's) incompetence the safety of the vessel was imperilled; and that he was incompetent as a navigator and unfit to be captain of a vessel.

The defendants admitted publication, but denied that the words were defamatory of the plaintiff. They further pleaded that the words were fair comment on a matter of public interest and that the plaintiff had suffered no damage.

Mr. Hilbery, K.C., in opening the case, said that the plaintiff, since his retirement from the Royal Navy, had been commander of several great yachts. Deauville had a harbour which was much frequented by the owners of large pleasure vessels and in the summer season there were many yachts in it.

Spicing the Dish.

The entrance of the yacht into the harbour was of little interest to the readers of the *Evening Standard*, so that it was evidently the intention of the writer of the paragraph complained of to spice the dish with a little malice to make it a "snappy par."

The plaintiff took the Cutty Sark into the harbour when there was ample room for her. She was a handy vessel with twin screws and turbine engines and there was nothing to distinguish the incident from any other. Commander Mack was in charge, and when he brought the yacht in she was turned in the normal way in the tidal basin.

The imputation cast on his ability was absolutely unfounded, and there was not a word of truth in any of the statements in the paragraph. The vessel was not a converted destroyer, she did not nearly go aground, the Duke of Westminster did not supervise operations, and the plaintiff did not have a very anxious half-hour.

A Little "Butter."

Instead of apologizing when the matter was brought to the notice of the defendants, they inserted, on September 20, the following paragraph:—

"In my notes on August 31 I described the entrance of the Duke of Westminster's yacht Cutty Sark into Deauville Harbour. My correspondent had watched the very skilful manner in which the captain of the vessel had turned the big vessel round in the narrow 'Touques.' Navigation of the two lock gates occupied a considerable time, owing to the size of the vessel and the narrowness of the two openings, together with the amount of water drawn by the Cutty Sark. The whole of the movement was most admirably carried out by Captain Mack, and it was a matter of astonishment that it was possible for any navigating officer to get so large a ship into the harbour without going aground."

That, said counsel, was a little "butter," but there was no withdrawal of the poison in the previous paragraph.

The plaintiff, giving evidence, said that the lines of the hull of the Cutty Sark were exactly similar to those of the "S" class destroyer. Her tonnage was 828 and her length on the water line 270.5 ft. When he entered Deauville Harbour, there was a compulsory pilot on board. The vessel did not draw more than 10 ft.

His Lordship said that there was no suggestion in the paragraph of unskilful navigation and he was not going to have the time of the Court taken up by the large number of witnesses with whom he had been concerned. There was no suggestion on the part of the defence that the navigation was other than normal.

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WOMAN'S DEATH ACQUITTAL.

FALSE ADMISSIONS BY A DOCTOR'S WIFE.

HER "LOYALTY."

"It appears to me that this man ought to be sent for trial for murder," said Mr. Hay Halkett, magistrate at Marylebone Police Court, shortly before Dr. Hugh Windsor Bell, aged forty-two, of Oakley-street, Chelsea, was again remanded accused of the manslaughter of Miss Kathleen Alexandra Kelly, aged twenty-two, of Holland Park-avenue, the daughter of an Irish landowner.

The prosecution alleged that Miss Kelly died in a nursing home in consequence of an operation in a house at Kensal Rise.

Mrs. Henrietta Constance Bell, aged thirty-four, wife of Dr. Bell, who had been accused with her husband, was discharged.

"Her Own Admission."

Mr. H. D. Roome, for the prosecution, was questioning Mrs. Ivy Dora Capper, of Whitmore-gardens, when Mr. Hay Halkett asked: "Have you considered going against Mrs. Bell?"

Mr. Roome: It is on her own admission.

Mr. Halkett: I do not think any jury would convict.

Mr. Freke Palmer, for Mrs. Bell: It is obvious from the rest of the evidence that it could not possibly be true. She had never seen the girl.

Mr. Halkett: In the absence of anything that makes her an accessory there is no evidence against her at all. The only thing is that loyalty has made her say this.

Mrs. Capper's evidence was being read over when Mrs. Bell, who was seated in a chair outside the dock, collapsed. She was carried out by three policemen.

Inspector Edwards produced a statement by Mrs. Bell.

Hotel Meeting.

Mr. Roome drew Mr. Halkett's attention to a part of it in which Mrs. Bell, referring to Miss Kelly, said that she met her by accident at a Piccadilly hotel. Miss Kelly, she said, made a statement to her and asked if she could do anything for her. Mrs. Bell replied that she would try at some future date.

Mr. Roome then said, "If, in spite of that, you are of opinion there is no *prima facie* case against her, I leave myself in your hands."

Mr. Halkett: I do not think any jury would convict, and I shall discharge her.

Mr. Hay Halkett, at the conclusion of the case for the prosecution, said that it appeared to him that Dr. Windsor Bell ought to be sent for trial for murder.

Mr. St. John Hutchinson (for Dr. Windsor Bell) submitted that the law had adopted a much more humane view of late and had been careful not to commit people on a charge of committing an offence they were not likely to have done.

Mr. Halkett agreed to leave the charge as it was.

No Aspersions.

The plaintiff denied that the ship nearly went aground, that the Duke of Westminster supervised him in the handling of the vessel, and that he (the plaintiff) had an anxious half-hour.

Mr. Birkett: You know that the defendants have desired to emphasize your skill and competence?—Apparently, by their second paragraph.

You know that in defending this action they have not the smallest desire to recede from that position?—I regret that I do not appreciate that.

Is not the real essence of your complaint that if there be an aspersion here it would be read by yacht owners and not because of the general public at all?—If that paragraph is read by the general public it might be discussed among all sorts of people.

The Pilot's Position.

The navigation of the vessel was the responsibility of the compulsory pilot, was it not?—No, the responsibility was mine. He is there to give advice and assistance to the captain if he wants it.

The plaintiff said that it was nonsense to suggest that the vessel churned up mud at the harbour entrance owing to her speed. He did not see the Duke of Westminster.

Mr. Birkett: Do you suggest that anyone would think one whit the less of you if they thought that the Duke was supervising the operation?—I certainly do.

The Duke knows your skill?—Certainly, if it is skill.

Counsel:—Do you want to make money out of the matter?—I don't want to be out of pocket.

Addressing the jury for the defence, Mr. Birkett contended that the plaintiff had not suffered the smallest injury by reason of the publication. He was still employed by the Duke of Westminster, and was hoping to hold the position of captain of the Cutty Sark for a long time.

The jury were unable to agree and were discharged.

BY MAIL, WIRE, AND WIRELESS.

Washington.—President Hoover has announced that Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, jr., former assistant Secretary of the Navy, will be appointed governor of the Territory of Porto Rico. Mr. Roosevelt is at present in French Indo-China following an extensive hunting and scientific expedition along the Chinese-Thibetan border.

New York.—Blue Larkspur won the Withers Stakes and a purse of \$28,250. Chestnut Oak was second and Jack High third.

Winnipeg.—Liquidation by weak holders and weakness in Liverpool caused wheat to touch the lowest records since 1923. May wheat closed \$1.04½ per bushel, July \$1.05½, and October \$1.03½.

Constantinople.—It is reported more than 50 lives have been lost and about 100 persons injured in an earthquake which destroyed 1,000 houses in the village of Chazen. Karahissar, south-west of Trebizond. Floods, following torrential rains, are hindering the work of relief parties.

Manila.—Insular Auditor Ben F. Wright has obtained a writ of habeas corpus and thus evaded incarceration in Bilibid Prison. Manila, as ordered by Justice John sitting in Baguio. The Insular Auditor, ordered to jail for contempt of court in connection with his refusal to produce certain tax certificate demanded by Justice John, continued in his refusal to obey the Court's orders.

Madrid.—The Cabinet has ordered the liquidation of the biggest Spanish shipping company, the "Compania Transatlantica," which was heavily subsidised by the Government. This, however, means only a change in the constitution of the company, which will continue in a new form and with at least the present extent of its activity.

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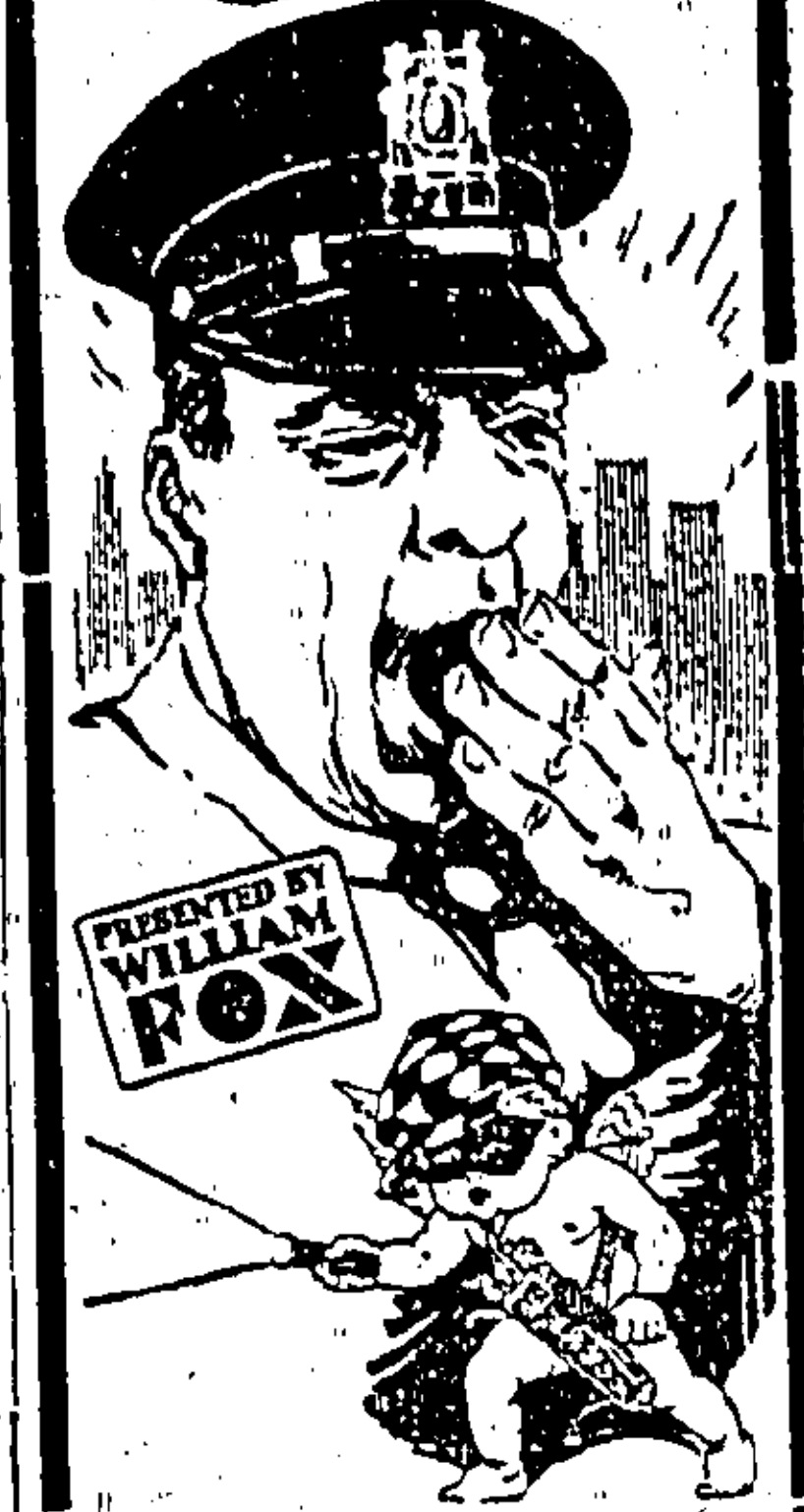
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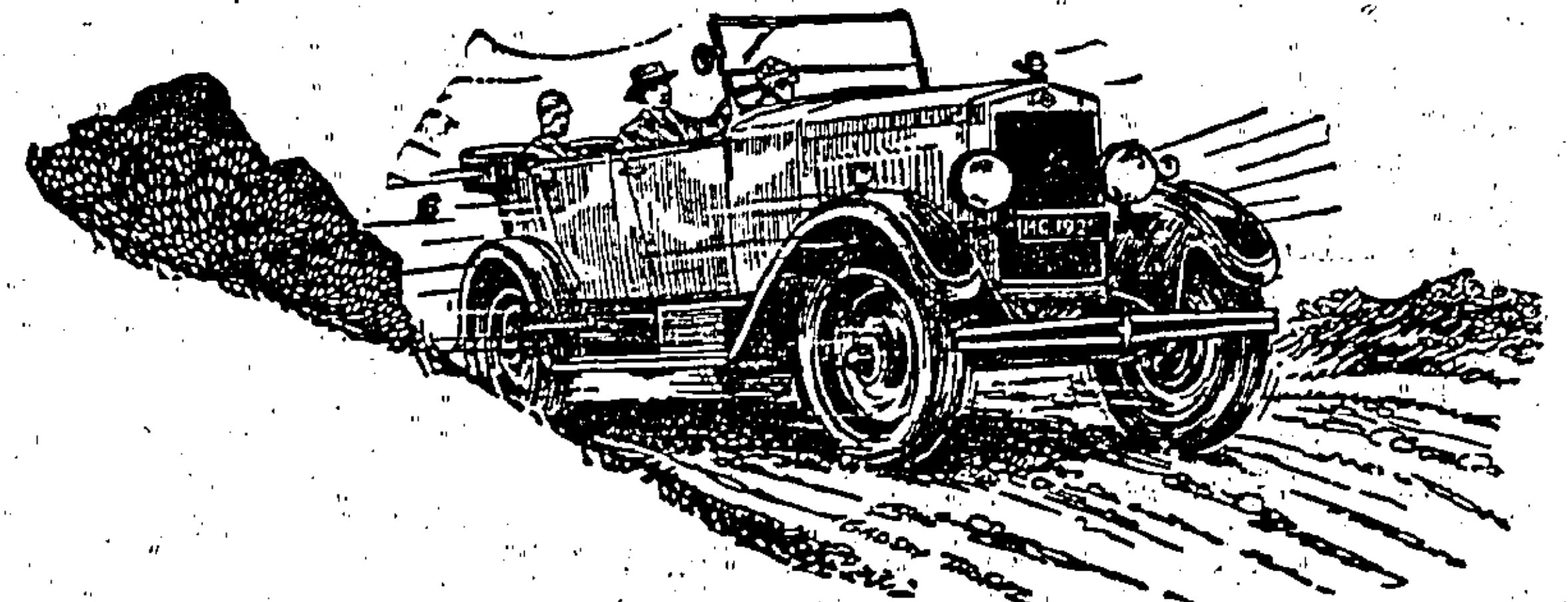
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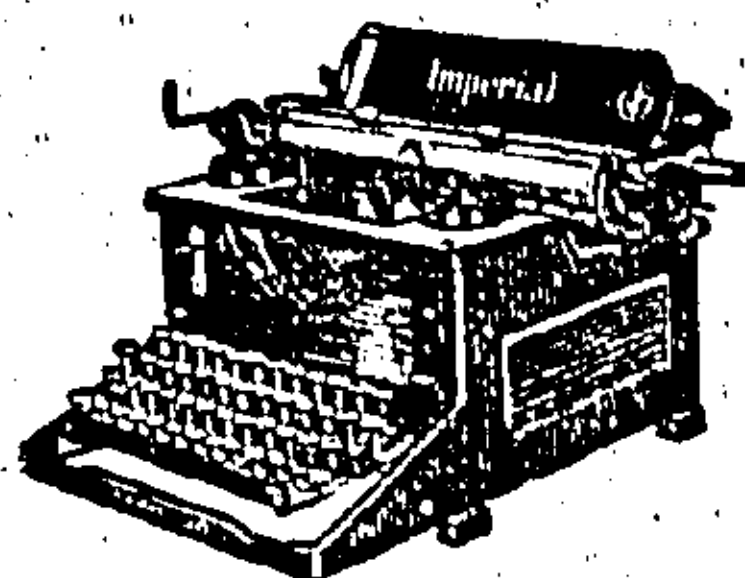
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SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

CHINA MEETING.

At the recent China Golf Meeting held at Aldeburgh there were 70 competitors. Among those present were—Sir Francis Aglen (late Inspector-General of the Chinese Customs), Sir Peter Grain (Judge, British Supreme Court for China), Sir Newton Stubb (Manager, Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation), and Mr. Stanley Dodwell (Chairman, China Association, London).

The results were—

Singles.—J. C. Dyer, 1; T. F. Claxton, 2.
Toursomes.—J. C. Dyer and H. H. Girardet, 1; L. J. Dodwell and R. Melville Smith, 2.

CYCLING AT HEERLE HILL.

The Olympic Games tandem champions, B. Leene and Van Dijk, made their appearance on Heerle Hill track recently when the National Cyclists' Union held their International Racing Fund meeting. They were opposed by J. E. Sibbit and E. H. Chambers, who narrowly lost the highest honours at Amsterdam last year. Sibbit and Chambers won the decider after each had secured a race over a 1,000 metres course. A surprise was occasioned when the Dutch riders sprinted away from their rivals in the back straight during the first race to win in 2mins. 8.4-secs., but Sibbit and Chambers took the second and third races with ease in 2mins. 6.4-secs. and 2mins. 39.3-secs. respectively. In the second heat the Dutch riders made a rather belated effort in the last lap but in the decider they strove desperately to get on terms. However, Sibbit and Chambers, who had led all the way, just managed to win by a length and a half.

BEDFORD'S EXAMPLE.

A host of Blues and Olympic athletes visited Bedford recently to see how that country was its notable boys' championship meeting. The general opinion formed was that if similar meetings can be promoted throughout England there will be no need for Great Britain to fear opposition from any nation in any department of athletics in the near future. Bedford has two coming champions in J. E. Holland, who won the 100 yards in 11-secs., and the 220 yards in 22.1-secs., and L. A. Emmerton, not yet 13, who put up "colt's" records of 100 yards in 11.3-secs., and a long jump of 16ft. 6ins. There was some astonishing pole vaulting by F. R. Webster, 14 years old, who tied in the junior and took the "colt" event with a new record of 16 feet. This equals the midland counties' standard and the A.A.A. open championship qualifying height. He should reach Olympic standard of 12 feet before he leaves school. In the discus-throwing event J. S. Moll made a new boys' record of 125ft. 6ins.

A VERSATILE SWIMMER.

N. V. Beaman, of the Chester Swimming Club, who has been chosen to captain Cheshire this season in the matches in the county water polo championship of England, can be described as a pillar of the sport. He is both a fine sprinter and a good distance swimmer; and at water polo he has proved himself a most versatile player, for he is just as much at home amongst the forwards as he is on the defence, a fact that was amply demonstrated at the Olympic Games at Amsterdam. Beaman was changed from full-back to the advance line when things were going none too well for Great Britain, and following the alteration the game, from being 6-1 down, was 6-5 in fewer minutes than the goals that were scored.

Beaman played in his first international game against Wales in 1923, and appeared in England teams in 1925, 1927, and 1928. He was captain of the side against Scotland in 1925, and again led for England against Wales in 1927, thus being one of a very small and select company in 40 years of international water polo to be England's captain in two successive years.

THE "LEVEL MINUTE."

For a generation "the minute for the century" has been the hope and the aim of university swimming on the Isis and the Cam. The three Americans—W. W. Butterworth and Bruce Brodie, at Oxford, and H. E. Whitting, at Cambridge—consistently beat 61secs. for 100 yards, but the "level minute" always eluded their grasp. The record, however, was made in the Leys School bath when the Cambridge president, E. B. Johnson (Emmanuel) won the 100 yards event against the Stock Exchange in 60secs. flat. Before coming up to Cambridge Johnson assisted the Bournville Swimming Club. He was then a useful swimmer, but has improved beyond recognition since going to the University. He will return to Bournville in the autumn, and judging by his form last month Johnson appears to have almost all the Midland A.S.A. championships at his mercy, especially as Roy Baker, of Coventry, intimated last week that he has definitely retired from competition.

SIR ABE BAILEY TO RACE AGAIN.

Sir Abe Bailey, who retired from English racing owing to ill-health at the end of last year, has made a complete recovery, and he will start racing in England again as soon as he returns to England. In anticipation of this Sir Abe Bailey instructed R. Day, his trainer, to purchase Golden Lyre at the Newmarket Sales. Day paid 3,800 guineas for the colt.

N.A.R.A. HANDICAP SCULLS.

Close on 60 scullers took part in the annual race for the Baker Challenge Cup of the Lee Branch of the National Amateur Rowing Association, rowed off at Clapton. Racing, which was spread over three days, was of a very keen nature. L. Jones (Metropolitan Police A.A.), who won the trophy last year, was beaten in a preliminary heat off the virtual scratch mark (5secs.). The final heat, between H. Beer (L.G.O.S., S.A.) (5secs.) and W. A. George (Exel R.C.) (12secs.), resulted in an easy win for the former sculler, while in the race for third prize F. Oldfield (Exel R.C.) (21secs.) beat V. Powell (Metropolitan Police, "N" Division) (3secs.).

BOXING.

Oxford and Cambridge are sending an invitation for a South African team to visit England in January, provided a fund of at least £1,200 can be raised. Both the Oxford and Cambridge Rugby Clubs will each contribute £100, and the two University Boxing Club £50 each, but unless the balance is forthcoming by July 1 the proposed tour will have to be abandoned. The matches suggested are—
January 21.—v. Belfast, at National Sporting Club.
January 30.—v. Cambridge.
February 5.—v. Oxford.
February 12.—v. Army Officers, Cambridge.
February 20.—v. Oxford and Cambridge at Stadium Club.

"GOLDEN ARROW" FOR BARCELONA.

Sir Henry Segrave has agreed to exhibit his record-breaking car, the Golden Arrow, in the British Section of the Barcelona International Exhibition. The car will be on show from June 15 until the end of August. A special ceremony for the British Section will be opened on June 15, when Sir George Grahame, the British Ambassador in Spain, is expected to preside. A representative display by well-known British firms of engineering, machinery, motor-cars, and many other industries has already been arranged.

DEATH OF WELSH RUGBY INTERNATIONAL.

Mr. Clifford Bowen, formerly a prominent Welsh Rugby international football player, died at Rickmansworth recently. He was a native of Llanelly, for the club of which town he played at three-quarter back. He was in the Welsh team against Scotland, England, and Ireland in 1906, and against England in the following year. He afterwards played for Devon Albion, now Plymouth Albion.

MAINLY FOR THE MEN.

The handing round of sherry (a near approach to the undreamed-of cocktail) was an innovation for the Mansion House at the banquet there recently, which resulted in £7,430 being added to the rebuilding fund of the Kensington, Fulham, and Chelsea General Hospital. Lord and Lady Carisbrooke received over four hundred guests, some of whom, in spite of being loudly announced, rushed past the host and hostess, ignoring their outstretched hands of welcome! The magnificent gold plate with the sword and mace made a rich background for the St. George's Day roses, but for the most interesting piece was that given by the present Lord Mayor. This is a square gold christening cup presented by George IV. to an ancestor of the Lady Mayress, who is a Russian Princess by birth. Quite by chance the whereabouts of this cup (which disappeared during the revolution) became known to Sir Kynaston Studd, who straightway purchased it and presented it to the City. Mrs. Arthur McGrath (Rosita Forbes) made the speech of the evening, and it was largely due to her moving words and charming personality that the dinner achieved such an excellent result.

The architectural world is buzzing over the question of the new headquarters to be erected in Portland Place. How shall the architect be chosen for a building which ought to reach the high water-mark of architectural design? I hear that, if the opinions of the most active members of the Royal Institute of British Architects were frankly given, the majority would be in favour of the task being allocated to Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, the architect of Liverpool Cathedral and of the new library at Cambridge. Another favourite would be Messrs. Easton and Robertson, the architects of the new Horticultural Hall at Westminster, which has just been awarded the gold medal for the best London building of the year.

Apocryphal discovery of the sale of forged tickets for the Stock Exchange. Sweetlake, one recalls the story of the man who got into a railway carriage looking extremely

miserable, with his overcoat collar tightly buttoned up. Seeing his dejected air, a fellow traveller ventured to inquire the reason. "Well, it's like this," said the sad-looking individual, "I drew a horse in the Calcutta Sweep, sold the ticket for ten shillings, and now it's gone and won." "Heaven," cried the other man in horrified amazement, "why, if I'd done a thing like that I'd cut my throat." "Well, I have," replied the miserable one, as he unfastened his collar.

It is getting increasingly difficult to find a book-title that has never been used before. That of the new selection from Mr. Lloyd George's speeches and writings, "Slings and Arrows" (Cassell), served, some forty years ago, as title to a book of short stories by Hugh Conway, who is best remembered to-day for his phenomenally successful shilling "shocker," "Called Back." But Conway (Fred Fergus), though he came near to being it, was not the author of the first shilling "shocker" that ever burst upon a startled public—that distinction belongs to Mr. Fergus Hume, whose "Mystery of a Hansom Cab" came out in 1887, and who is happily still with us, living in retirement in Essex. The "Mystery of a Hansom Cab" was the "biggest noise" in the book-world of its day; it inspired a popular music-hall song and introduced a type of fiction that has remained fashionable ever since, though in these times our Edgar Wallaces are not sold for a shilling. Mr. Hume has published over a hundred and twenty other books, but none that has repeated the boom of "The Mystery of a Hansom Cab," which has passed from publisher to publisher, been re-issued in numerous editions, is still to be bought on the bookstalls, and seen on the films, but has yielded the author nothing except glory and the fifty pounds for which he parted with all rights in the first and most successful book he ever wrote.

At the private view of Queen Charlotte's Silver Exchange at Seaford House recently quite as much interest was aroused by the new "Hansom Cab" and "Called Back" as by the exhibits themselves.

Eventually Lady Howard de Walden grew so tired of explaining over and over again the work of the invisible ray that she asked Princess Helena Victoria if she would try to lift one of the pieces. This practical experiment amused the Princess very much, for no sooner and she advanced her hand across the silken rope than a deafening din broke forth, and then across the room came a volley of bullets, which seemed amongst the velvet-covered shelves on which the silver is laid. Mr. W. W. Watts, who was showing the Royal visitors round, is vice-chairman of the Selection Committee, and is generally conceded to be the greatest authority on antique silver, and with him was another expert, young Mr. Andrew Shirley, who is the second son of Lord Ferrers.

Looking back over four score years, Lord Shaw of Dunfermline, who has resigned the office of Scottish Lord of Appeal, has memories of days when Edinburgh judges used to dine at 4 p.m., then carry on with the cases before them until they were finished. This arrangement was highly inconvenient to some of the lawyers, who preferred to dine at eight, but sometimes had to stay dinnerless till midnight. Lord Shaw tells of an occasion when a client called on a distinguished advocate one morning about eleven, and was told by a servant that his master was at dinner. "At dinner at this time of day?" exclaimed the caller, incredulously. "Aye," was the reply, "but it's his yesterday's dinner he's eating the now."

If heredity counts for anything, Mr. Cyril Maude, whose serious illness is reported to be taking a favourable turn, should have a good many years of felicity still ahead; for he is only 63, and his family have a notable record for longevity. Both his father and grandfather reached the late eighties, and the lives of three earlier ancestors covered a span of no less than 213 years. His grandfather, also, the first Lord Hawarden, married at the age of 32 a third wife, then in her teens, who survived until 1851, so that 122 years elapsed between the birth of the husband and the death of the widow.

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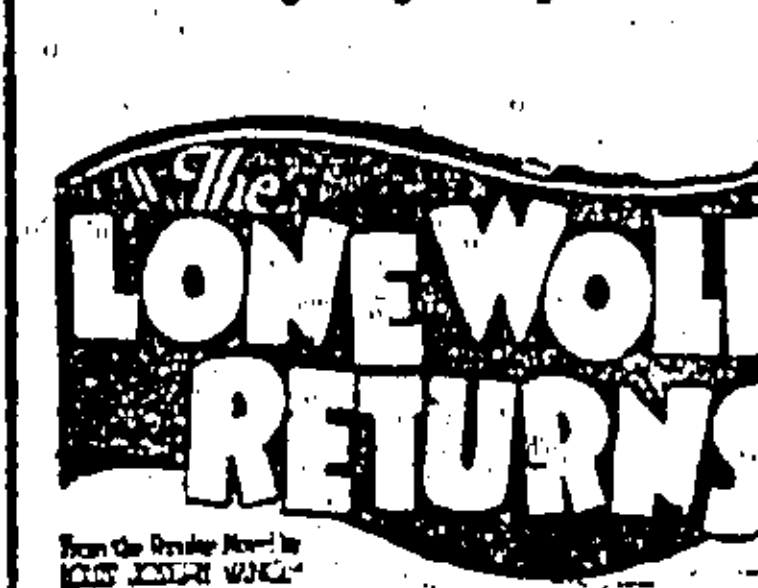
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FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF KWANGTUNG.

A NEW COMMISSIONER.

LIANG KWANG FINANCE INVESTIGATION.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, June 7.

Mr. Tao Li Him, the newly-appointed Commissioner for Foreign Affairs of Kwangtung, has formally assumed office. He is a Chekiang man (but born in Canton), and has had a long career in diplomatic service, having been at one time chief secretary of the Chinese Legation in Mexico. A number of high officials representing the Provincial Government were present at the ceremony. The new Foreign Commissioner will pay a formal visit to the Shamen Consular Body in the course of a day or so.

FINANCE MINISTER'S VISIT.

A group of Canton notables, including Mr. Fan Ki Mo, Commissioner of Finance, Mr. Chow Min Cho, manager of the Central Bank of China, and Mr. Shen Tai Wo, left for Hong Kong yesterday afternoon to welcome Mr. T. V. Soong, the Minister of Finance. Mr. Soong will probably stay in the British Colony for a day or two before coming to Canton. Meanwhile General Chen Ming Shu, head of the civil Government of Kwangtung, is preparing an elaborate programme to welcome the Nanking Minister in Canton. It is reported that Mr. Koo Ying Fun, a high official of the Central Government, is also taking a trip to Canton with Mr. T. V. Soong.

FUNDS FOR NANKING

The mission of the Finance Minister to Canton is to investigate the finances of the Liang Kwang Provinces which are in a badly disorganised condition. It is said that during Li Tai Hsi's entire two years' administration of the Two Kwangs, literally not a cent was sent to the Central Government. Mr. T. V. Soong will presumably arrange for regular remittances to Nanking. These funds are vitally necessary, it is pointed out, in view of the approaching war with Feng Yu Hsiang, which, it is feared, will be of a much more protracted character than had been anticipated, since Hua Fu Chu and others' "desertion" of Feng has been discredited.

SOCIAL PROGRESS IN INDIA.

CANTON VISITOR'S VIEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, June 7.

Mr. Ira Hatch, Professor of Agriculture at the Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Allahabad, India, is passing through Canton from America on his return to India. Mr. Hatch has been connected with the Allahabad Agricultural Institute since 1923.

In relating his experiences in India, Prof. Hatch says that many reforms are being carried out there.

The rising generation, he says, headed by Gandhi are endeavouring to modify the "caste" system, and child marriage is also being opposed. Gandhi and others, the professor added, are trying hard and most sincerely to improve existing social conditions throughout India.

As regards agriculture, Mr. Hatch said: "Remarkable work is being done at the Allahabad Agricultural Institute in the way of improvement of stock, in spite of the power of tradition. We have found through experiment that the introduction of American bulls has had marked beneficial results."

FURTHER SUCCESS FOR NANKING TROOPS.

[NAN CHUNG KWO NEWS SERVICE.]

CANTON, June 7.

According to a communique issued by the Canton Authorities, the Nanking troops under Li Ming Shui are occupying Tungshien, west of Wuchow, and the enemy has retreated towards Liuchow.

One regiment of Kwangsi troops under General Wong Kuk Cho, stationed at Tungshien, joined General Li Ming Shui, and this enabled the pro-Chiang forces to take control of the city without serious difficulties.

The Nan Chung Kwo correspondent has been informed that General Wong Kuk Cho's troops did not desert him, and that General Li Ming Shui's military movement in Kwangsi is in compliance with a peace treaty concluded recently between the two parties.

General Wong Kuk Cho came to Hong Kong on June 6 and in an interview, he also denied this report.

TWO GERMANS AT WUCHOW.

FIGHTING DESCRIBED AS VERY TAME

AN ABANDONED SULPHURIC ACID PLANT.

Yesterday afternoon two more river steamers arrived from Wuchow, the s.s. Kwong Ying and s.s. Tai Ming.

Two passengers, of German nationality, interviewed by our representative aboard the Kwong Ying, said that they arrived in the East from Germany some six months ago to start a sulphuric acid plant a few miles out of Wuchow at the request of General Wong Shui Hung. After considerable trouble they managed to get the plant erected at Sham Kok Shui, and 10 tons a day was the output. On the outbreak of the War they were obliged to seek refuge at the Stout Memorial Hospital in Wuchow and took the first steamer from Wuchow to Hong Kong. As the plant is now in the hands of the Cantonese troops they have no other alternative but return to Europe.

Both gentlemen were somewhat sarcastic about the "fighting," and from their account the struggle was of a very tame order. There was no engagement at Wuchow itself but they believed there had been some fairly extensive skirmishing around Shui Hung. "They don't really go for each other," said one of them, "when they look like getting to grips the weaker side hurries off. No damage was done to the city itself either by gunfire or by aeroplane bombs. The flying machines dropped a few bombs on the hill forts, circled over the town and then flew off in the direction of Canton."

They estimated that about 20,000 pro-Nanking troops are now at Wuchow, and the general idea was that the Kwangsi troops had escaped without suffering much loss. The current report was that General Wong Shui Hung had fixed his headquarters at Nanning, where he expected to get together about 40,000 men for a counter-attack on Wuchow.

An officer of the Tai Ming told our representative on the way to Wuchow they passed just above Shui Hung, a launch towing a junk packed with soldiers. On the return trip they saw the steam launch sunk, and with her deck awash. The soldiers had beached the junk and were making merry ashore. They had lit a fire and were singing lustily. Large numbers of troops were passed making their way along the river bank to Wuchow.

The masters of the ships, who have made the trip to the Kwangsi front agree that the Cantonese forces are fully expected to control the situation and to keep the port open.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE.

OUTLOOK NOT HOPEFUL.

(Industrial and Commercial Daily Press.)

Negotiations have been opened between the commanders of the Nanking force—Generals Yu Tsok Pak, Li Ming Shui and Yang Tang Fai—and the leaders of the "Kwangsi Clique"—Generals Li Tsung Jen, Pei Chung Hai and Wong Shui Hung—but nothing has, so far, been decided.

The Nanking leaders wish to force their opponents to retire in order to prevent further bloodshed, and it is said that the troops, many of whom are Kwangsi men, are anxious to see the end of fighting in their own province.

To Co-operate with Feng Yu Hsiang.

It is, however, generally felt that the negotiations will fail because the defence of Western Kwangsi is comparatively easy, and it is anticipated that the Kwangsi troops will rally later on the two rivers, Yu Kiang and Tao Kiang. Should they fail to hold these positions the Kwangsi troops will then retreat to Kweichow or Szechuan, and join Feng Yu Hsiang's forces, as the Kuomintang troops have announced that they will fall back to Szechuan if necessary. That Szechuan should be the rallying point is still more probable since General Yang Sen, who is stationed there, is said to be in sympathy with the Kwangsi Clique.

The Kwangsi troops will not, however, leave their own province unless forced to do so, and they have erected strong defensive works at Sunchow and other places along the river.

Reds Again Disperse.

Meanwhile the Reds, who recently took Nanchang in Northern Kwangtung, have evacuated the city on the approach of troops from Canton, and dispersed into the hill districts, until they see a chance of further plunder. They ravaged Nanchang thoroughly and the loss to the merchants has been severe.

WATER RETURN FOR MAY 31.

ISLAND CONSUMPTION NEARLY HALVED.

ABOUT TWO MONTHS' SUPPLY.

The P.W.D.'s water return for last month shows a total storage on the Island of 233.43 million gallons and at Kowloon 89.43 million gallons.

The consumption on the Island was 139.21 million gallons, which works out at 10.4 gallons per head per day, compared with a consumption of 233.30 million gallons (17.9 per head per day) in May 1928. Last month's Island consumption included 3.10 M.G. from Taikoo Refinery Dam and 8.94 M.G. from Kowloon.

The consumption in Kowloon for the month of May was 97.79 million gallons, or, on an estimated population of 170,000 (probably far below the real population of the Peninsula), 13 gallons per head per day, compared with 20.9 gallons in May, 1928.

The figures do not include the water shipped to the Island.

There is about another two months' supply, especially when it is remembered that ample provision is made in these figures for the mud, etc., in the reservoirs.

This year's rainfall to May 31 was 10.15 inches compared with 33.15 in the same date last year.

The P.W.D. figures for the month follow:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

Tytam: Level with overflow in 1928; 30' 5" below overflow this year.

Tytam Byewash: Level with overflow in 1928; 27' 6" below overflow this year.

Tytam Intermediate: Level with overflow in 1928; 59' 5" below overflow this year.

Tytam Tuk: 10' 7" below overflow in 1928; 9' 11" below overflow this year.

Wong Nei Chong: Level with overflow in 1928; 40' 1" below overflow this year.

Pokfulam: Level with overflow in 1928; 33' 8" below overflow this year.

Storage in Millions and Decimals of Gallons.

1928. 1929.

Tytam 384.50 176.50

Tytam Byewash 22.37 .11

Tytam Intermediate 195.90 10.02

Tytam Tuk 1,171.15 43.42

Wong Nei Chong 30.34 .65

Pokfulam 66.00 4.42

Total 1,870.56 233.43

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

1928. 1929.

Consumption 233.30 139.21

Estimated population 4,240 432,586

Consumption per head per day 17.8 10.4

* Includes 3.10 million gallons from Taikoo Refinery Dam and 8.94 million gallons from Kowloon.

Intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts during May 1928.

Principal Main Supply shut off from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. May 1-27, 1929, inclusive. From May 28-31 inclusive the hours of supply from the Principal Mains were 6 to 10 a.m. and 3 to 8 p.m.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS.

Kowloon Reservoir: 0' 1" below overflow in 1928; 43' 1" below overflow this year.

Shekkipui Reservoir: 2' 6" below overflow in 1928; 33' 3" below overflow this year.

Reception Reservoir: Level with overflow in 1928; 4' 5" below overflow this year.

Storage in Millions and Decimals of Gallons.

1928. 1929.

Kowloon Reservoir 351.63 40.00

Shekkipui Reservoir 106.02 18.45

Reception Reservoir 33.15 22.00

Total 490.80 80.45

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

1928. 1929.

Consumption 107.15 94.73

Estimated population 185,280 170,350

Consumption per head per day 20.9 18.0

* Does not include water sent to Hong Kong.

Full supply in all districts during May 1929.

During the whole month of May 1929 the supply was shut off nightly from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

WELLS BEING OPENED.

TSUN WAN PIPELINE FINISHED.

The question of the water supply is still troubling most minds in the Colony and letters are sent every day to the papers offering suggestions for saving or acquiring water. Some of these suggestions are being put into force, and yesterday morning two wells were dug on a vacant plot of ground at Hung Hom, in the middle of a paddi field, by the Public Works Department, in order to supply water to the large number of Chinese in that district.

Queue at an Old Well.

At a short distance from the scene where the new wells are being constructed, our representative noticed a long line of buckets ranged up outside the back door of a Chinese tenement house.

On enquiry it was learned that an old well had been opened up on the backyard of the house. Though there was no responsible person present who could inform our representative whether permission had been given for the well to be re-opened or no, he was assured that the water drawn from it was sweet and clean and fit for drinking purposes.

The Waterloo Road Nullah.

There is a large nullah along Waterloo Road, near Homutia to which every day a constant stream of Chinese make their way laden with buckets and tins. Water has been obtained from this source by a great many persons daily during the last week.

An Unexpected Opportunity.

An unexpected opportunity to get a supply of water without waiting for the street fountains to be opened, was eagerly taken advantage of by the Chinese in the neighbourhood of Dundas Street, Mongkok, on Wednesday night when a pipe burst and water flowed freely for some hours. A queue was hastily formed and quite naturally no attempt was made to mend the pipe or to spread the news unduly. The break was fixed the following morning.

Pipe Line Completed.

The work of laying a pipe line to tap the stream leading into the sea at Tsun Wan is now completed, and the pipe leads to a bamboo pier at which the water boats can all up their tanks. It is stated that about 1,000 tons of water is supplied daily by the stream.

The Peninsula Hotel is also drawing a supply from this source, by means of trolley loads of 50 gallon drums, and using it for laundry and other washing purposes. Needless to say none of this supply goes anywhere near the kitchens. The management is, in fact, setting an example which many big users of water would do well to copy.

Offer From the Navy.

The Royal Navy have offered to lend H.M.'s tug Cherub and petrol lighter C408 to the Colonial Government, for conveying water from other places to the Island of Hong Kong. The offer has been gratefully accepted by the emergency committee, under Mr. E. W. Carpenter's chairmanship, which is dealing with measures for increasing the water supply.

MRS. G. H. C. DE CARVALHO'S ESTATE.

\$185,700 IN LOCAL SHARES AND HOUSE PROPERTY.

A petition for letters of administration has been granted to Mr. C. A. C. Rodrigues in the Estate of Mrs. Guilhermina Hermilla Cabral de Carvalho, widow, who died in Lisbon on August 19, 1928. She is described as a British subject formerly resident in Hong Kong and latterly at 11, Rua dos Navegantes, Lisbon.

The petitioner is the lawful attorney of Mr. Eduardo Henrique de Carvalho, residing in Lisbon, who is the only lawful son of the deceased lady and beneficiary of her estate.

Total estate left by the deceased amounts to \$185,700 in shares and house property in the Colony, including the life interest of G. H. C. de Carvalho deceased in the residuary estate of C. F. de Carvalho deceased.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

AT KOWLOON MAGISTRACY.

PRISON PREFERRED TO POLICE STATION.

A Chinese, charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistracy with stealing \$10 from a doctor in Shamshui, pleaded not guilty, but later changed his mind and asked the Magistrate to convict and sentence him because he would rather go to prison than be remanded at Shamshui Police Station.

He said that he had been ill-treated and assaulted at the Station and forced to admit the offence, and he had no desire to return there.

The defendant, whose record showed two previous convictions for stealing was sentenced to four months imprisonment.

THEFT OF GLASS.

Another Chinese, charged with stealing 21 panes of glass, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months imprisonment.

The police officer prosecuting said that over 200 panes of glass had been stolen in the last three days from a house under construction. The defendant had been arrested after he had sold some of the glass to a foundry in Shanghai Street.

FRAUD CHARGE DROPPED.

A charge of uttering a forged promissory note for \$700 was dismissed owing to lack of evidence. The Magistrate pointed out that there had been no evidence of fraud and advised the complainant to take civil action. The document was stamped and was not, therefore, a promissory note.

A CAT BURGLAR AND A TRESPASSER.

A "cat burglar" was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour for stealing two pieces of clothing from 30, Tai Nam Street. He was arrested when in possession of the clothing and took the constable to the house from which he said he had stolen it.

A Chinese was fined \$5 for passing near the Officer's cook house in Hankow Barracks, Shamshui, the Magistrate remarking that it was obvious to everyone that the barracks were private property.

CENTRAL MAGISTRACY.

LEARNING TO DRIVE.

Capt. G. H. R. Abbott, of the K.O.S.B., was summoned at Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, for driving with a learner's licence without being accompanied by a licensed driver. He was also summoned for failing to produce his licence and with driving outside the area set apart for learners.

Defendant admitted the offences and explained that his licence was in the pocket of the car, but he did not know it when he was stopped. He added that he should have brought his servant with him, the latter being a fully qualified driver.

Capt. Abbott added that he considered he was now a fully qualified driver.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$10 for driving outside the learners' area and for not being accompanied by a qualified driver a further fine of \$5 was imposed. On the remaining count his Worship cautioned the defendant.

ILLEGAL DETENTION?

Two Chinese appeared on a charge of detaining a sing song girl illegally. It was stated that the defendant decoyed the girl into a boarding house, where she was locked up in a room for a night with one of the two men. It was not suggested that the man who was locked up with the girl assaulted her. The case was remanded.

BANSHEE AND BURGLAR.

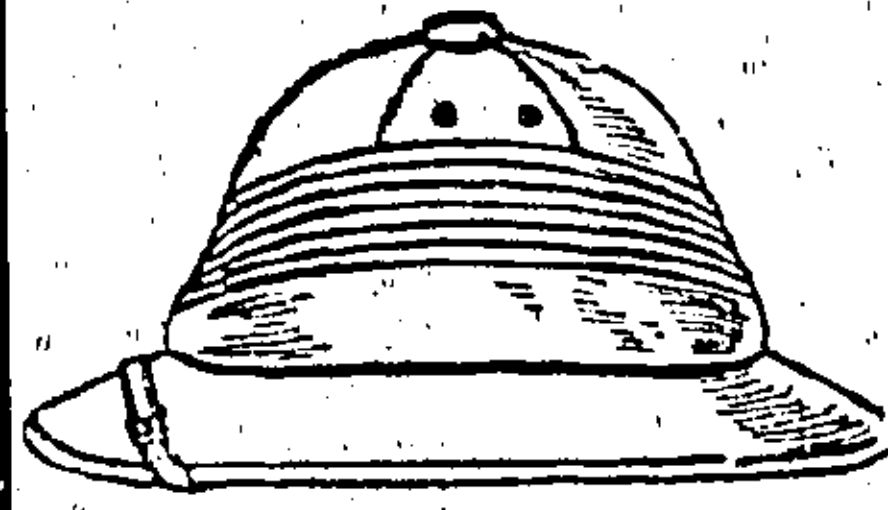
The Chinese who was charged with burglary at No. 45, Elgin Street, was yesterday committed by Major C. Willson for trial at the next Criminal Sessions. The defendant has also to answer a charge of returning from banishment, having been sent away for life in 1922.

STEALING FISH.

A remand to enable the authorities to keep the defendant under medical observation was ordered by Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday in a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing fish from boat people in Shaikwan. Defendant was seen cutting away the ropes securing a basket of fish to a junk and when a hue and cry was raised, he dived under the junk, injuring his hand in the process. Mr. E. W. Brooks appeared for the defence.

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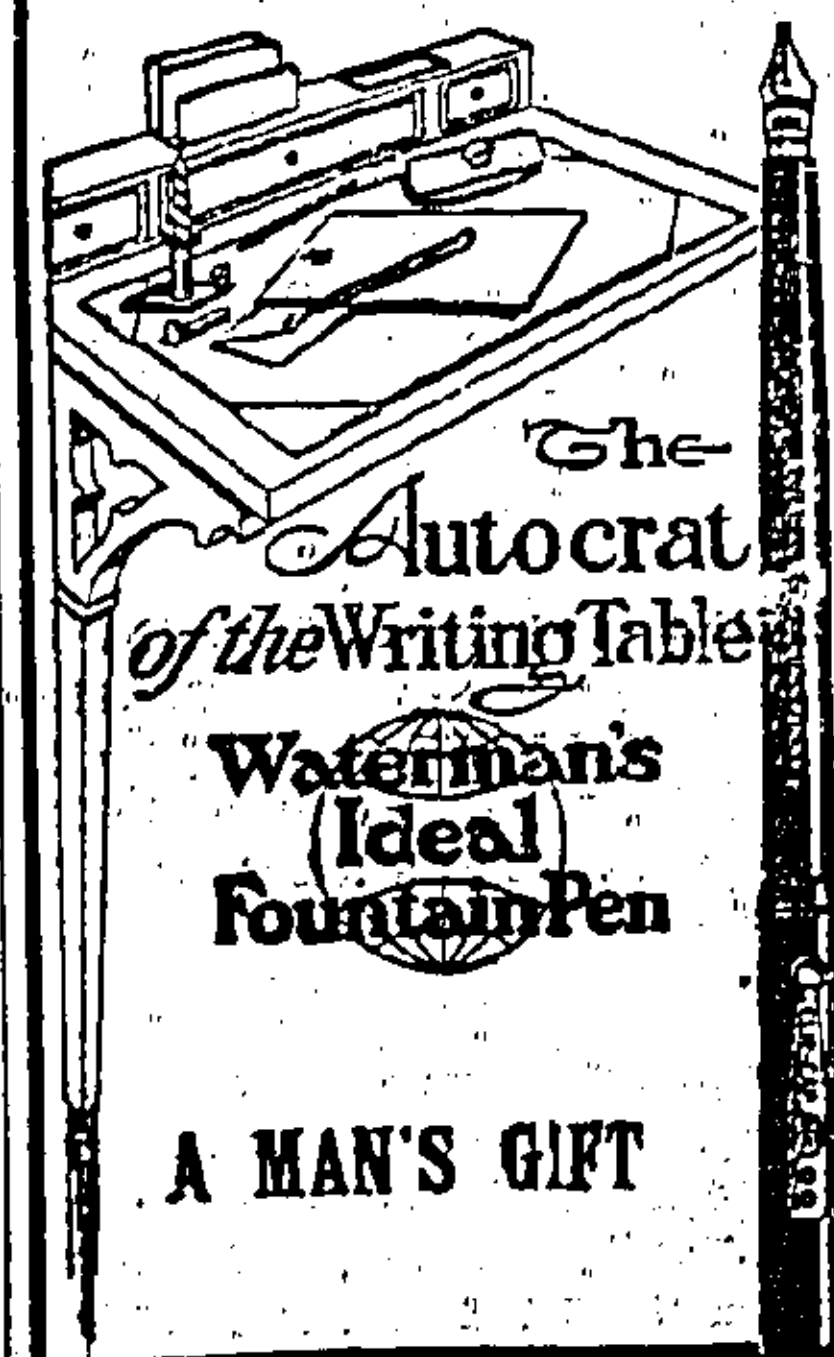
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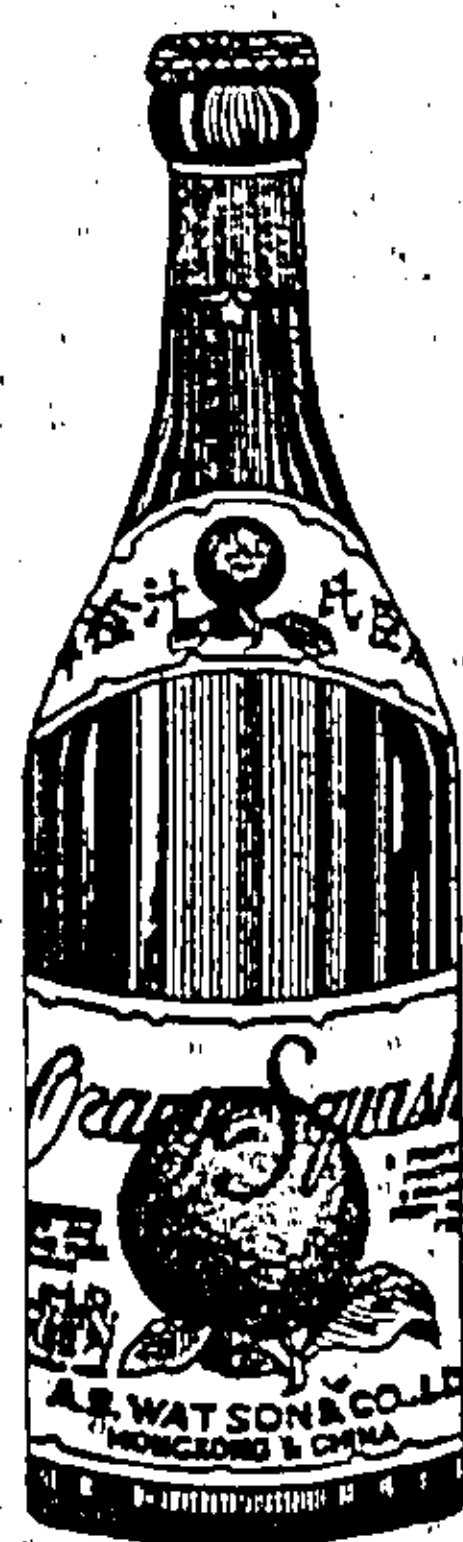
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Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 3.45 p.m., stated:—

Pressure remains highest to the east of the Bonins. The anti-cyclonic area has moved into the Eastern Sea. Depressions are indicated to the north of Shantung over S. Japan and Tongking.

Local Forecast:—S.W. winds, moderate, cloudy, showery.

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MUSSOLINI'S "HERESY."

JUST a month ago Cardinal Gasparri, the Papal Legate, referred to the Duce as "the man raised up by God" who guides the destinies of Italy with wisdom and firmness. Prior to this, the Minister of Public Instruction, instead of exchanging the usual handshake, kissed the ring of the Papal Legate as representative of a State claiming to be supernatural. This was the first time representatives of Church and State in Italy met and took part in an official function, and the impression then created was that the two Governments were at last on terms of an exceptionally friendly nature. A few days later Mussolini made a speech in the Chamber, before which assembly the Lateran Treaty and Concordat (signed between Italy and the Vatican, last February) had come up for ratification. The Duce spoke for about four hours, and evidently made an equally eloquent address in the Senate, for the Pope has been now moved to make public protest against the Dictator's "heretical" speeches, and regrets that the happy relations so recently established between the State and the Vatican have been suddenly "profoundly and painfully disturbed."

There is nothing in the address delivered by MUSSOLINI in the lower Chamber which could be reasonably regarded as "heretical," but in the Papal note to Cardinal Gasparri the Duce is credited with a statement that would obviously send a shudder through the Vatican. MUSSOLINI is said to have declared (presumably in his Senate speech) that but for the fact that the seat of the Christian religion was transferred to Rome, it would have flickered out like any other religious sect which had flourished in ancient Palestine. This is "modernism" indeed, and the horror and indignation aroused in the Vatican can be easily understood. The man who, a few weeks ago, was publicly described as having been "raised up by God" to guide the destinies of his country with wisdom and firmness, is now publicly branded as a heretic by those who so recently sang his praise. It is a unique spectacle, and it will be interesting to see how MUSSOLINI deals with the Papal challenge. Whether or not one agrees with the principles of Fascism, none will deny that the Duce is a man who has the courage of his convictions, and is not likely to sit quietly under the sting of the Pope's rebuke. In his address in the Assembly, MUSSOLINI gave a clear definition of the new Papal Sovereignty. "The discussion," said the Duce, "has been described as one between a Sovereign Church and a free Sovereign State. But in this State the Church is neither sovereign nor free. Its sovereignty here would be a contradiction in terms, and it is not free because it is bound under the terms of the Concordat. The situation may be defined as a Sovereign State within the Kingdom of Italy. The Catholic Church, with certain special privileges, is loyally and freely recognised, and other cults are freely admitted." In the middle of the long historical survey which followed, the Duce stopped abruptly to

suggest that Deputies might be asking why he was engaged upon thus giving them a history lesson. "It is in order to prove to you that I have not betrayed the labours of the Risorgimento."

From all this controversy two facts emerge very clearly—that the relations of Church and State in Italy are not to be so easily and amicably agreed upon as many imagine, and the attitude of the Vatican towards current ideas of liberty and progress is extremely difficult of exact definition. Pope Leo XIII. held that the power of the Church and State should each be supreme in its own sphere—the condition that on questions which are of common right and authority, "the secular power should depend on the heavenly power." He held it was a duty to resist State laws which are opposed to Divine laws, and to obey is a crime, "but in our abnormal times the Church usually acquiesces in certain modern liberties—not as approving them, but as thinking it expedient to permit them, but in better times she would exercise her own liberty." MUSSOLINI has declared that the Church is subject to the authority of the State, and that full liberty of conscience and discussion must be allowed to every citizen. To this the Pope replies that the Holy See is the supreme organ of the Church, and that liberty of conscience and discussion cannot be tolerated, because such freedom is tantamount to saying that human beings are not subject to the will of God. This controversy between MUSSOLINI and the Pope raises issues which are of great interest, and grave importance, and recalls the bitter controversy of fifty years ago, when GLADSTONE wrote his famous pamphlet on Vatican decrees in their bearing upon civil allegiance. From the cabled summary of the Pope's letter, protesting against MUSSOLINI's "heresy," it would appear that the attitude of the Vatican to-day has not changed materially since the issue of the famous Syllabus in 1864 and the Ecumenical Council of 1869. GLADSTONE's comment on that attitude was pungent—"no one can become her convert without renouncing his moral and mental freedom, and placing his civil loyalty and duty at the mercy of another."

MUSSOLINI appears to have raised this very issue of liberty of conscience, and it is his attitude on this point which makes the latest quarrel between the Vatican and Italian Government of profound international interest. From the British point of view, it is most unfortunate that further controversy should be started just when the centenary of Catholic emancipation is being celebrated. There is in England even to-day considerable feeling against what may be called Vaticanism, and striking evidence of its existence is found in the cable message giving details of Sir HILDEBRAND HARNSWORTH's will. In leaving one-tenth of his estate to found scholarships at Oxford, the testator lays down the condition that recipients must be Protestants, their parents must be Protestant, and their paternal ancestors for another two generations must have been Protestant. Such discriminatory clauses in regard to legacies are as common as they are significant. Rome is a religious centre which attracts some and repels others, but whether repelling or attracting, it is a centre which influences many millions of men and women, and for this reason developments of the quarrel between the Vatican and MUSSOLINI—"the man raised up by God"—will be watched with interest all over the world, and in some quarters with considerable anxiety.

News and Views.

One British case of enteric, a case of smallpox and one diptheria (both Chinese) were notified on Thursday.

The very promising rain that fell yesterday morning soon cleared away and only 0.10 of an inch was registered at the Royal Observatory.

Announcement has been made of the forthcoming marriage between Mr. Walter Caball, leading Seaman, H.M.S. Canton, and Miss Curtis Eva Curtis, of 37, King'sclere Hotel, Kowloon.

A report was made at the Water Police Station yesterday by a Chinese woman who arrived from Canton on the afternoon train, that whilst waiting for a bus at Kowloon Point, some one cut her coat pocket and stole \$40 in Hong Kong notes.

There was some excitement at Blake Pier at 8.30 last night when a young Chinese jumped over off into the water. A large crowd gathered nobody amongst them attempted to rescue the would-be suicide. It was left to an old sampan man to gull him out. The young man was none the worse for his experience.

A terrier belonging to the Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith, "went mad and bit a man" at the Upper Terminus of the Peak Tram on Thursday. The victim, a Chinese, was given precautionary treatment at the G.C.H. and the dog has been removed to the Kennedy Town depot for observation as to his mental condition.

A second extraordinary general meeting of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders was held yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. G. F. Taylor for the purpose of confirming a resolution brought before the meeting held on May 21. The resolution referred to the adoption of revised Articles of Association. The meeting unanimously confirmed the proposal, and the Chairman expressed his thanks to the members present.

The croquet season is on in England. It is estimated that this summer there will be more than 75 tournaments; and just like cricket there will be Test matches between England and Australia. "Lawn billiards," as croquet is often called, is played only by the elite. At Richmond there are ten courts in constant play. In many private gardens there is at least one croquet court, and the air rings with well-accented cries of "Off to Hong Kong" and "Up the country" and other terms of the game.

Miss Mary Joyce West, 22 years old and armless, is completing plans for making a tour of Europe in her arm-propelled cripple's chair. Miss West, who lost her two arms in an accident several years ago, says she can make thirty miles a day in her chair. She will make the tour pay for itself by selling handworked fancy articles which she had made herself. She plans to work her way through France, Belgium, Switzerland, and Italy.

Wireless for the Sick.

One of the most satisfactory aspects of the broadcasting of musical programmes, lectures, sermons and other matters of general interest, is the pleasure it has brought into the lives of many people who are for one reason or another confined to bed, or who live in inaccessible parts of the country. There was a considerable outcry when the vicar of St. Martin's in the Fields announced that some of the "services" would be broadcast. Some people felt that the suggestion was irreligious, others that it would encourage still further the modern habit of neglecting attendance at church. The thousands of grateful letters which the vicar received from church people who had for years been unable to attend any service, proved conclusively that he was right, and broadcasting has gained in dignity and importance from his action. Now-a-days no British hospital would consider its equipment complete without a radio installation, for it is realised that the interest of "listening in" alleviates one of the most tiresome aspects of sickness from the patient's point of view, that depressing feeling of being cut off from the world which does much to retard convalescence. It is pleasing to learn that the Middlesex Hospital has now installed a receiving set and each bed in the general wards is now equipped with headphones so that the patients who wish to listen on to the programmes daily broadcast in Hong Kong may do so, and others, who do not agree that "music hath charms," or are not well enough to enjoy the programme, are not to be disturbed. The installation, which is now complete, has been carried out by the General Electric Co. of China, Ltd., and the final tests have given very satisfactory results.

Turn about is fair play, and now a tooth paste company is calling attention to the fact that cigarette smoking not only gives the mouth and throat "a coating of tobacco soot," but leaves a "fuzzy taste" as well.

As an example of faithfulness and service, the record of Miss Elizabeth Gadsby, who is said to have entered the employ of an elastic web factory in Leicester, at the age of nine, and who is still there at the age of ninety-two, is surely without an equal.

If a certain item of news gets about, no longer will small children believe the innocent fiction that if they reach the ends of the rainbow they will find a pot of gold. An air pilot flying on the San Francisco-Salt Lake airway, some 12,000 feet high, saw reflected in the clouds a rainbow, but it took the shape of a complete circle. And so, bang goes another childish illusion!

Britain's "Shabby" Premier.

Ramsay MacDonald, the new Prime Minister, is "studiously shabby and carelessly clad," writes one of London's tailors after having seen the Labour leader at the recent opening of the Royal Academy. Writing in the *Tailor and Cutter*, reporter says:—"He was wearing a rather passé black overcoat, a wing collar, and a black tie all awry. The soft felt hat, an old campaigner, struck a jarring note. It was a drab hat with a brown ribbon band, and provided a clash with the rest of the outfit. On the whole it was a sullen rig. So far as dress goes, David (Lloyd George) tries and succeeds, Stanley (Baldwin) tries and fails, and Ramsay sulks." All England enjoyed this tailor's pen-pricks—not pin-pricks.

Britain's "Dry" Embassy.

There is more trouble in diplomatic circles at Washington—this time as a result of the British Ambassador declaring he will not in future avail himself of the privilege accorded to diplomats of importing alcoholic liquor. French wine-merchants are particularly indignant that the British Ambassador should be so inconsiderate of their interests as to voluntarily observe the law of the country to which he is accredited. His example, if generally followed, will mean the loss of \$50,000 gold in business annually. We consider the Ambassador's action praiseworthy, and one that will redound to the credit of himself and the nation he represents. Prohibition is not a joke, but a serious reality, in spite of persistent propaganda to ridicule and evade it. The people of the United States came to a decision which may or may not be a wise one, but which has been given the full force of law, and it is for all honest men to observe that law. Agitation for its abolition or amendment is perfectly legitimate, but attempts at evading it cannot be other than criminal. The British Ambassador, like other diplomats, enjoys certain privileges, and his decision to surrender that relating to so contentious a matter as the importation of alcoholic liquor is an example of self-denial which his colleagues would do well to follow.

What Will Rogers Thinks.

In the House of Representatives the other day, Mr. La Guardia of New York, whose advocacy of legislation friendly to the liquor interests is steady and persistent, enraptured his "wet" hearers with a series of statements which would be funny, except for the serious and sinister purpose behind them. He asserted that among his associates, "outstanding leaders, right here in the national Capitol, have difficulty in preventing their own children from drinking hard liquor." He wound up his impassioned attack upon the prohibition law by saying that "a careful analysis of the figures will show conclusively that a majority of the voters at the last election were decidedly against prohibition." Presumably Mr. La Guardia was serious, even if a bit hysterical. In another column of the paper from which these extracts are culled, appeared a statement signed by a gentleman widely known as Humorist—Mr. Will Rogers. As a rule Mr. Rogers strives to be funny, but upon this occasion he seemed to have offered an illustration of the true words spoken in jest. His communication reads:—"See in Washington dispatches that the Democrats are planning to take the wet side and make a direct issue of prohibition in '32. Why a man should dig his grave three years before he is buried is almost unexplainable. I spent three years in forty-eight States each season kidding and joking on both sides of prohibition, and if you think this country is wet you got a big city angle on a Nation that is composed of country folks. It's the only law we ever had each season kidding and joking on both sides of prohibition, and you know they hold the trump card. You can't change it without their permission, and you won't get it. They are just laughing at you." Apparently the funny man is the wise observer; the comedian for the moment plays the part of the funny man.

An artificial silk factory will soon take the place in Yorkshire of the Barlow airship station, where the airships R25, 29, and 33 were constructed. The station has been purchased by the Breda Visada Ltd., a Dutch firm, and work will be soon started on the construction of a large factory. When it is completed more than 4,000 workers, mostly girls, will be employed. A garden city is planned in connection with the factory.

Chinese Farmers in Politics.

Peking.—The young people of China dominate the Kuomintang, if the figures of membership in North China extend to the entire country. The figures show that more than half of the 27,177 members of the Kuomintang of Hopei province are between the age of 20 and 25. The Kuomintang has registered remarkable growth in membership during the year since Chang Tso Lin retired from Peking. Two months after the Nationalists captured the city, the Kuomintang had a membership of less than 4,000. It has increased about seven times. Perhaps the most notable change in the membership is the number of farmers who have been enlisted. The figures indicate that 32 per cent. of the members are farmers. Less than a year ago farmer-members were negligible. Six months ago, the students dominated the Kuomintang in the north, composing more than half of the members. Now the students are only 19 per cent. of the membership, in spite of the fact that Peking is the student centre of China. Great care is still being exercised in admitting members, and every candidate must understand the principles of the Kuomintang as well as possess a working knowledge of representative government in the West.

American Journalists in China.

The branch of the Chinese Foreign Office in Peking has found time, in spite of its preoccupation with civil war and the funeral of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, to arrange for receiving a large party of American newspapermen about the middle of June, under the auspices of the Carnegie Foundation for Peace. The party will arrive in China at an interesting time, with the nation plunged once more into civil war on a large scale. But the Foreign Office is determined that in Peking they may forget civil wars for a time, and glance into China's long past, so amply set forth in the ancient capital. Two public dinners are being arranged by the Foreign Office, and another by the American Association. The foreign newspaper correspondents also are arranging a luncheon. A number of private individuals, foreign and Chinese, have also asked to entertain the visitors during their stay here. The newspapermen will be in the hands of the Chinese Government. Railways from the time they leave Mukden until they reach Shanghai. It is understood that a special effort is being made to afford them unusually comfortable accommodations, and that the "Young General" of Mukden has agreed to set aside cars for their use in China.

Looking Back 25 Years.

We hear that the price of land in Kowloon and Yaumati has recently risen again to its former value. During the land "boom" in 1901, the price of land generally was considerably increased, but now that the Kowloon-Canton Railway is so much talked about in all circles, property-owners on the mainland should, doubtless, be reluctant to part with their lands at the proper value. Indeed, it is said that it would be a very good investment if intending purchasers could avail themselves of the present value of land, as prices will surely rise another 100 per cent. when the railway starts.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, June 8, 1904.

Looking Back 50 Years.

On Friday evening one of the big guns was returned from West Point Battery into store, being drawn by some hundred or two of coolies through Queen's Road upon three carriages, the wheels of which through want of the smallest quantity of grease, made the most intolerable noise. As the Military Authorities are above ordinances, there is no legal appeal, but would it not be a little more *comme il faut* if matters were conducted a little less as we might expect them to be in Peking? The handling of these heavy pieces of ordinance, if scientifically conducted, is rather imposing than otherwise, but to see them dragged with shouting and screaming along the road, needlessly amassing the hydrant covers in their course, rather implies a want of that active supervision and exemplary care by which those in charge of H.M.'s transport department are usually distinguished.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, June 9, 1878.

QUIET ON ALL FRONTS.**THE LULL BEFORE THE STORM?****HAN FU CHU'S EDICT.**

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. Han Fu Chu has telegraphically notified the various military authorities that no other troops are allowed admission into Honan. This would appear to prove that his verbal allegiance to the Central Government is unreliable.

THE LONG-EXPECTED HOSTILITIES.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. Feng Yu Hsiang's troops who were alleged to have retreated to Tungchow are still staying between Chengchow and Loyang. It is understood that hostilities will commence very soon.

Yen Hsi Shan is still staying at Yuncheng, negotiating with Feng's delegates.

WANG CHING WEI RE-INSTATED.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. At a meeting held on Thursday by the State Council, Chiang Kai Shek proposed to reinstate Wang Ching Wei, the leader of the Left Faction of the Kuomintang, but the proposal was strongly opposed by Hu Han Min. After a lengthy discussion, it was finally decided to appoint Wang as a member of the Council of the Central Government in lieu of Feng Yu Hsiang, who was recently dismissed from the membership of the Government. The decision was approved by the majority at the meeting and it is understood that an official mandate will be issued.

CHINA'S DELEGATE TO WORLD COURT.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. Dr. Wang Chung Hui, the Minister of Justice, has left Nanking for Shanghai, whence he will proceed to the Hague to attend the World Court.

MADAME SUN YAT SEN'S RESERVE.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. Since her arrival at Shanghai, Madame Sun Yat Sen has refused to receive any guests. It is reported that she has decided to take up her residence at Hangchow and is looking for a suitable residence at the famous West Lake.

CANTON AVIATOR TO GO TO NANKING.

(Nan Chung Kuo.)

The Central Government has wired to Chang Wei Cheung, the director of the Canton Aviation Bureau who made the first flight throughout China from Canton to Mukden and back, asking him to come to Nanking to supervise aviation matters.

SINO-RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

(Nan Chung Kuo.)

Nearly all Chinese Consulates in Russia were searched recently, and staffs of Consulates have been closely watched.

KIDNAPPED BOY SET FREE BY BANDITS.

(Nan Chung Kuo.)

The young son of Hsu Chung Chi (who was the former commander of the Canton forces), has been recently released by his kidnappers. The family of Hsu have received a letter from the outlaws saying that they were not a rich man, and for this reason they decided to release their captive.

"BOOTLEGGING" ON HUGE SCALE.**RINGLEADER HELD IN NEW YORK.****WEALTHY SYNDICATE.**

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, June 8. A French "Count," giving his name as Count Maxence de Polignac and 19 other alleged principals in an International Liquor Syndicate with capital amounting to millions of dollars, have been arrested in a series of dramatic raids by a squad of 50 Prohibition agents.

The so-called Count was arrested at his luxurious suite in a fashionable New York hotel.

Raids were carried out at eight other places and thousands of pounds' worth of liquors were seized at the headquarters of the syndicate in Fifth Avenue.

The officer in charge of the raiding said that the syndicate operated like a big business concern with salesmen and office staffs and with a complete delivery system.

The Count is described as the European agent of the syndicate, and it is officially stated that the Prohibition agents have tried to capture him for years.

The arrested are liable to five years' imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000.

VESUVIUS TONES DOWN.**UNCERTAINTY STILL PREVAILS.**

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

NAPLES, June 8. The activity of Vesuvius has decreased but the authorities will probably wait a few days to make sure that the volcano has returned to its slumbers before authorizing the villagers to return to their homes.

Lava still surrounds Terzigno on three sides but is now cooling rapidly and solidifying.

Thanksgiving services are being held in many villages at the foot of Vesuvius.

The eruption destroyed 50 houses in an area of about 50 hectares, which is covered with lava and is mostly vineyards. The population is gradually returning to Terzigno.

CHIANG "OFFERS TO RESIGN."

(NAN CHUNG KUO NEWS SERVICE.)

SHANGHAI, June 7. A report from official circles in Nanking states that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has really resolved to retire and a circular telegram to this effect has been drawn up as follows:—

"I, Chiang Kai Shek, have served the Nation and the Kuomintang for a long time and it is my utmost wish that the unification of China be soon realized, so that internal peace can be maintained and the shackles of unequal treaties can be abolished. In a word, without unification, the realization of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen's principles is impossible.

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"In supporting this cause, I must do my duty in suppressing rebels against the Central Government and as soon as I have successfully done so, I deem it is time for me to retire from all political and military activities."

The Meaning of the Move.

According to a vernacular report, General Chiang Kai Shek and his supporters have definitely decided to oppose the coalition formed by Generals Feng Yu Hsiang and Yen Hsi Shan and will declare war against them shortly.

General Chiang will first offer to resign but this is not sincere, and it has been arranged in advance that all public organizations shall issue circular telegrams asking him to remain. After a triple refusal he will announce to the Nation that he is unable to relinquish the burden of office because of the persistent demand of the people and he will keep on for the sake of the party and nation and to expedite the realization of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's policy for the unification of China.

In the meantime Chiang's opponents are organizing a rival government.

ANOTHER BIG U.S. COMBINE.**TOBACCO AND DRUGS.****MR. J. P. MORGAN IN THE DEAL.**

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, June 7. Negotiations are progressing for the formation of a huge merger called "Tobacco and Drugs Incorporated," which will include the United Cigar Stores, Tobacco Products, and other companies.

It is understood Mr. J. P. Morgan is interested in the amalgamation, which will be effected through an exchange of stock.

TRIBUTES TO SIR AUSTEN.**LEAGUE COLLEAGUES' EULOGIES.**

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUSSIA, June 8. At the opening this morning of a meeting of the League of Nations Council at Madrid, tributes were paid to Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary in the late British Government.

M. Briand, the French Foreign Minister, observed that Sir Austen Chamberlain was one of the most able and loyal statesmen with whom he had ever collaborated.

Mr. Adachi, the Japanese delegate, spoke in terms of the highest appreciation of the loyal co-operation of Sir Austen.

SPREAD OF TOC H. MOVEMENT.**THE PRINCE LIGHTS 56 NEW LAMPS.**

("D.P." Special Service.)

The Prince of Wales, as patron, welcomed delegates of Toc H branches from all parts of the country and distant lands at a meeting at Church House, Westminster, and lighted the Lamps of Maintenance of new branches formed during the year.

Surveying the world-wide growth of Toc H, the Prince said: "I am to light no fewer than fifty-six new Lamps of Maintenance for new overseas and home branches. This is twice the number of Lamps won in any previous year. In South Africa there are now more members in Toc H than there were in the whole society six years ago. In the United States the Rev. Pat Lennard is leaving behind him a Toc H branch in Washington, has formed a lot of groups around Philadelphia, and has done some first-class work for sea-going boys in New York City. From this beginning it must spread, and we believe it will, under American leadership.

"I saw the beginning of the new Toc H branch at Buenos Aires and attended a meeting there in 1923. Among the first-fruits of this branch is a fine new house, and we are all of one mind in thanking the British railways in Argentina for this and other fine help they have given."

"Passing to India, Toc H is doing very well. I do not think that Toc H had actually got as far as India when I was there, and the highest tribute to the work being done in India was the news that the Viceroy had decided to join and was initiated at Calcutta. Ceylon has supported the endowment fund very well."

"In Europe there is a very significant beginning of Toc H in Germany. That is a development full of great interest and cannot possibly fail to do good, and I welcome it very heartily."

PLOTS AGAINST SOVIET.**FIVE MORE EXECUTIONS ORDERED.**

("D.P." Special Service.)

Riga.—The Soviet police have made further arrests following an alleged extensive plot to commit sabotage on railways. Another five men have been condemned to execution.

Meanwhile the workers in Russian factories have passed resolutions welcoming the sentences and expressing indignation that persons who were important under the old regime should be allowed to work for the Soviet.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN BRITAIN.**MR. THOMAS ADMITS HIS APPOINTMENT.****MR. LANSBURY IN OFFICE.**

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, June 8. Mr. Thomas, in an interview, confirmed that he will be the Minister in charge of the unemployment problem.

It is now definitely stated that Mr. Arthur Henderson will be Foreign Secretary and Mr. George Lansbury First Commissioner of the Economic Committee which is to be established by Mr. MacDonald under the chairmanship of Mr. Thomas to co-ordinate the work of Government departments, particularly with regard to unemployment.

It is further understood that Lord Chelmsford will be appointed Secretary of State for India.

New Cabinet Candidate.

LONDON, June 7. The name of Mr. Tom Johnston, who was most active in the recent Colonial debates in the House of Commons, is now mentioned in connection with the Secretaryship for the Dominions or for the Colonies.

Labour's New Recruit.

LATER.

It was officially announced this afternoon that Mr. W. A. Jowitt, K.C., who was elected for Preston as a Liberal, has joined the Labour Party.

The King's Speech.

The Daily News understands that the King will not be present at the State opening of Parliament on July 2.

The suggestion has been discussed in Court circles that the Queen should read His Majesty's speech from the Throne, the Queen to attend the House of Lords with H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as an escort.

If the Queen prefers not to read the Speech the task would be undertaken by a Commissioner.

LATERAN TREATIES RATIFIED?**AN EXCHANGE OF INSTRUMENTS.**

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

VATICAN CITY, June 7. Instruments for the ratification of the Lateran Agreements have been exchanged between Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, and Mussolini, in the Hall of Congregations.

THE KING'S HEALTH.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, June 8. It is officially stated that the King has had a good day.

SEANCES FORBIDDEN.**SOLDIERS SENT TO MENTAL HOSPITALS.**

("D.P." Special Service.)

Vienna.—Interest in spiritualism has grown remarkably during the last few years, especially in and around the city of Olomouc (Olmutz), where the number of private seances was increasing from month to month.

Now, however, owing to the unfortunate effects produced upon certain of the adherents, the local police have intervened and prohibited any more of such gatherings.

Recently, two soldiers belonging to a flying squadron stationed at Olomouc, and others who have been carrying on these activities, have had to be removed to mental hospitals for treatment.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT OXFORD.**A HARMSWORTH LEGACY.****CONDITIONAL GRANTS.**

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, June 8. Sir Hildebrand Harmsworth, formerly proprietor of the *Globe* and brother of the late Lord Northcliffe and Lord Rothermere, left £1,443,000.

He left one-tenth of his estate to Merton College, Oxford, to create free scholarships.

A noteworthy condition regarding the scholarships is that they will be available only for British subjects who are Protestants and whose parents and paternal grandfather and great-grandfather are or were both British-born subjects and Protestants.

The scholarships will be of very considerable value as, after payment of duties, it would appear that a net sum of about £30,000 will be available to endow them, giving them an annual value of about £200 each.

PILGRIMS AND THE POPE.**ALL NATIONALITIES IN ROME.**

(United Press.)

Rome.—The Eternal City gets fuller and fuller each day with pilgrims from all parts of the world coming to pay homage to Pius XI on his golden jubilee in the priesthood. American pilgrims can be unfailingly identified by the formidable array of high-powered elegant motor-cars hired to carry them from one basilica to another.

Germans roam around Rome in heavy clothing, carrying guide books, cameras, binoculars and several other impediments strapped to them. The French are quieter and generally do not display Parisian costumes, but the quiet garb of the French countryside.

The English can generally be seen, both men and women, during the day walking from one sight to another.

The Audience.

Cardinal O'Connell, heading the pilgrims from Boston and the first large pilgrimage from the United States, always attracts great attention. His photographs and sketches were published in the newspapers while the *Giornale d'Italia* published a three-column interview.

In the audience with the Pope, which occurred at 6.30 in the afternoon, the scene was most emotional. The great Hall of the Consistory was filled with a glow from the West just before the sun was ready to set. The Pontiff spoke to the Bostonians for twenty minutes and never before was the Pope so thoroughly cordial as he welcomed them and praised their devotion and firmness of faith.

The pilgrims were deeply moved and really could not get enough for even after the Pope had left the hall, they waited around drinking in the art which surrounds all the Vatican chambers. They wandered through the ante-rooms and on the loggia of the cortile of St. Damasus.

ADMIRAL'S SUICIDE.**BODY FOUND LYING ON BEACH.**

A verdict of suicide during temporary insanity was recorded at an inquest at Gosport on Engineer Rear Admiral William George Mogg, a former Mayor of Gosport, who was found dead the previous evening on the beach at Stokes Bay, not far from his home. By his side was discovered a bottle containing corrosive fluid.

Paymaster Commander David Edward Smith, a son-in-law, said two years ago the Rear Admiral had some financial trouble, but the witness thought that was in process of being overcome. He was extremely sensitive to the suffering of others, and the night before his death he said he was severely shocked to learn his wife's mother was very ill.

In recording the verdict the coroner said he shared the great regrets of many at the Admiral's death.

"AMBASSADORS LIQUOR."**SIR E. HOWARD ROUNDLY CRITICIZED.****MANY PROTESTS.**

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

WASHINGTON, June 8. The Diplomatic Corps is sharply divided with regard to the question of "diplomatic liquor."

A few of the Diplomatic Missions which have recently become completely "dry," notably the Portuguese Legation, are supporting Sir E. Howard, but the great majority of the heads of Missions, led by the French Ambassador, are very outspoken, and criticize Sir E. Howard's proposals against which the French wine merchants have strongly protested, fearing a loss of \$50,000 annually in their trade with the Embassies and Legations in Washington.

Mr. H. L. Stimson, in a statement, emphasizes that the American Government did not desire in any way to restrict diplomats' rights as to the importation of liquors.

Newspaper's Strong Comment.

NEW YORK, June 7. The *New York Evening Post*, criticizing Sir E. Howard's decision says: "It makes an ambassador take sides on the most pressing question of domestic American politics. He will become a symbol in the fight between Wets and Drys."

An American Ambassador should not hold such a political position. Sir E. Howard has definitely impaired his usefulness as British Ambassador to the United States."

CREMATION BY MISTAKE.**UNDERTAKERS' BREACH OF REGULATIONS.****"DISTRESSED AT OCCURRENCE."**

A case of an unusual character was heard by the Hendon magistrates when Messrs. Leverton and Son, Limited, of Eversholt-street, Camden Town, undertakers, were summoned for breaching the regulations under section 7 of the Cremation Act, 1902.

Mr. G. Clayton appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions; and Mr. G. H. R. Tildesley, solicitor, defended.

Mr. Tildesley said that the defendants plead "Guilty."

Mr. Clayton said that it was a case of offence that did not often arise. The last case was in 1908. It was not deliberately done by the firm; it was a mistake, but one that should not arise.

Boy's Body Burned.

Relating the facts, Mr. Clayton said that a Mrs. Foster was in hospital and gave birth to a boy. In the same hospital was a man who died, and it was arranged by the relatives of the man that his body should be cremated. The defendants undertook to do it.

Mrs. Foster's child having died and Mrs. Foster being in a bad state of health, she left the burial of the child with the hospital authorities. Leverton and Son went to the hospital with the idea of taking away the body of the man, and the hospital authorities asked them to bury the boy.

They said they would, and they put the body of the boy in the shell that was to be used for the cremation of the man. The two bodies were taken to Leverton and Son's premises, and there was no doubt they forgot to take the boy's body out. The shell was taken to Golden Green Crematorium and the boy's body was burned. Leverton and Son had authority to bury the boy's body.

After the cremation they did the next best thing and buried the ashes at St. Pancras. They then notified the Registrar that the body had been buried, but, of course, it had not been.

Mr. Tildesley said that Messrs. Leverton were very distressed at the occurrence. They were a very old firm and within a few years of their centenary. In this case they were the victims of unfortunate circumstances. At the time the inquest, epidemic was raging and had incapacitated several of their staff, so much so that this particular business was carried out by two of the principals themselves.

They went to the hospital with proper authority and took a suitable coffin. Suddenly they were asked to dispose of the body of the baby, and were faced with the question of how to take it away. It was decided to put the baby in the coffin of the man, outside the shroud and with every decency.

After a short retirement the Chairman announced that the Bench felt bound to take a serious view of the offence and the defendants would be fined £20 and must pay 25 s. costs.

Telegrams in Brief.

The Duke of Gloucester is progressing very well and his collar-bone is knitting perfectly. He will resume his trip across Canada en route for Home on Sunday.

The airmen Arrachart and Rignot have arrived at Calcutta, having covered 8,080 miles in 35 flying hours. They had a forced landing in a Bagdad street. The airmen have no definite destination but expect to travel to China and Japan, returning via Siberia and Germany.

Mr. Elmer Roberts, chief of the Paris Bureau of the Associated Press, is retiring on July 1, having reached the age limit, and Mr. Joseph Sharkey, ex-Associated Press Correspondent in Tokyo is replacing him.

President Hoover has recommended to Congress the appointment of a joint Select Committee to study the question of the transfer of Prohibition enforcement from the Treasury to the Department of Justice, and also other matters relating to the administration of the "dry" laws.

The sight of Commander Eva Booth's right eye has been affected by her recent motor accident. She is having difficulty in discerning objects close to her and she has given up reading and writing. All her engagements have been cancelled.

Ratchitch, the ex-Radical Deputy, who was charged with the murder of Stephen Raditch, Croat peasant leader, has been sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment, and his alleged accomplices Popovitch and Kovanovic acquitted.

ALLEGED SLANDER IN ONE WORD.**"NO," IN REPLY TO A QUESTION.****OFFICE DISPUTE.**

The suggestion that the utterance of the word "No" constituted the publication of a slander was made in an action heard by Mr. Justice Horridge and a common jury in the King's Bench Division recently.

Mr. Charles Wood, a builder and decorator, of Red Lion-street, Clerkenwell, E.C., claimed damages for alleged slander against the Maude Rubber Company, Ltd., of Praed-street, Paddington, W., and Mr. William Fleming Hayes, a director of the company, of Bedford-road, Stockwell, S.W.

It was stated on behalf of Mr. Wood that after doing certain work as premises occupied by the Maude Rubber Company in Clapham-road he called at the offices in Praed-street to collect the balance of his account.

Remark Repeated.

He saw Mr. Hayes, and after a conversation he called in a man named Skinner and asked Mr. Hayes to repeat in this man's presence something which he had just said. Mr. Hayes did not do so, and Mr. Wood himself repeated the remark, which Mr. Hayes was alleged to have made.

He then asked Mr. Hayes if he denied having used those words and Mr. Hayes said, "No."

Mr. Wood contended that Mr. Hayes meant that he was a thief and had been guilty of a criminal offence.

The defence was a denial that the word complained of was used in the connection alleged. It was pleaded in a further alternative that Mr. Hayes spoke in anger, and what he said did not mean that Mr. Wood had committed a criminal offence. The hearing was adjourned.

"WASTED LIFE" TRAGEDY.**MAGISTRATE'S PITY FOR MAN OF 65.****A NEW START AFTER 41 CONVICTIONS.**

Mr. Clarke Hall, a London magistrate, who takes a special interest in the welfare of "down and out" who come before him in his judicial capacity, told a human story of a "wasted life" when opening Haddo House—another of the homes for working boys in London—at Parliament Hill.

"The other day," he said, "an old man (he was 65) came before me. He had been convicted forty-one times before for theft. He was a kindly, gentle old man, but he had never had a chance as a boy, and as soon as he came out of prison he stole again because he did not know what else to do, and went back to prison again, so I thought I would give him a chance."

"I have found him a job as a night watchman, where there is nothing in the world he can steal except a few bits of coal."

"That man has cost the country £3,000 in hard cash, while on the credit side there is only an infinite tragedy of a wasted life."

Sir Thomas Inskip, the Hon. Treasurer, who presided, said that the present home had been removed from Blackfriars Road. "We are removing all the homes from the crowded areas of London to the more healthy suburbs."

The opening ceremony was performed by the Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair.

[BY "BACK WOOD."]

[BY J. R. JOHNSTONE.]

Bournemouth, June 7

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRENCH WOMEN'S GOLF

MISS GOURLAY WINS AGAIN

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

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Boulogne, June

The French Women's Open Championship over 36 holes

Wimereux was again won by B. Mally Clouder (Camberlorn Hen

... who beat Mrs. Mayne (Addington) in an and four to play.

... six up and four to play.

EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS.

he gave free medicine to people.

"City teachers should adopt intensive and continuous study. They should keep a bean not on a plate of grey flannel or in a broken saucer, but in a pot of earth."

One of the present great dangers and evils was undoubtedly the spread of clubs. He knew personally of the suffering and degradation caused by clubs, and he hoped and prayed for their control. There had been a wonderful change in the habits of the rising generation compared with their forefathers in regard to drinking, and he had great hopes that education and knowledge would eventually prove the salvation of the country, and bring about the attainment of all true temperance reformers.

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Money and Markets

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Yesterday's quotations for rice and other foodstuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Green Seal	\$7.13
Hung Sai Ser	8.02
Hung Fay Ma	7.49
Hung See Miu	7.72
Long Unghingous Red Seal	7.64
Long Unghingous, Hung	7.14
Kum On	5.69
Cargo Rice, Green Seal	8.61
Round Rice, Black Seal	8.61

Miscellaneous.

Granulated Sugar, No. 18	8.05
Cuban Sugar, No. 18	8.25
Groundnut Oil, Fongtze	22.70
Fine Rattan	11.60
Dried Fungus, Kumshan	98.00
Dried Chestnut	11.50
Aniseed	17.40

COTTON YARN.

Prices of foreign cotton yarn have fallen by several dollars since last week. Latest quotations are as follows:—	
No. 40 Choy Kou	8.90
Sunlight	302
No. 32 Chon Kou	296
No. 20 Poo Loy	296
Blue Phenix	108
No. 12 Larp Ma	100
Sheng Koon	100
No. 10 Parrot	175
Kum Hang	170
Tai Fat	170

FLOUR.

Five Swallows	\$2.75
Banana	2.78
Banana Tree	2.80
Cabbage	3.04
Blue Gunboat	2.70
Yellow Buddha	2.75
Golden Ox	2.78
Big Gun	2.98

TINNED GOODS.

Bamboo Shoots	\$17.00
Preserved Ginger	7.00
Butter	28.00
Pepper	9.00
Curry	4.30
Mustard	5.40
Pine-apple	7.40
Carambola	6.00
Lychee	7.20

CANTON MARKET REPORTS.

COTTON YARN.

There has been some activity in the cotton yarn market recently and the demand from the country districts especially Fatsan is much better. Prices of No. 20s are three to four dollars higher while No. 32s and No. 42s are eight to ten dollars higher. According to telegraphic advices, prices in Shanghai have also advanced. Quotations at Canton market on Thursday were as follows:—

No. 10 Golden City	\$235
Peacock	235
Lotus & Bee	235
Yan Chung	235
Tai Fat	235
Excellent Crops	230
No. 12 Larp Ma	256
Foo Kwei	256
Acroplane	252
Poo Yee	252
Golden City	255
Pretty Damsel	242
No. 16 Globe	270
Sunlight	260
Blue Phenix	258
No. 20 Shepherd	270
Ng Fook	265
Sin Tao	265
Blue Phenix	263
Hung Hay	264
Wan Pang	264
No. 32 Choy Kou	370
Blue Phenix	368
Pine & Deer	360
No. 40 Choy Kou	384
Yang Hok	430
Flower & Butterfly	432
Larp Ma	430

RAW SILK.

14/16	H.K. \$945
20/22	860
13/15 Best 1	910

SUGAR.

The market for sugar is steady and prices have slightly advanced. Latest quotations are as follows:—

Granulated, No. 2 coarse	\$9.10
Granulated, No. 20 coarse	7.7
Granulated, No. 3 coarse	7.7
Granulated, No. 1 Fine	10.35
White sugar, Waichow	9.35
Sugar candy, Waichow	10.60
Brown sugar, Wanglik	8.20
Brown sugar, Tungkun	8.17
Brown sugar, Hoyuen	8.50

VEGETABLES FOR THE TABLE.

White Cabbage	\$1.04
Mustard plant, Chaochow	1.08
Hairy Squash	0.45
Bitter squash	0.93
Snake gourd	0.83
Bamboo shoots, Mamay	3.20
Scallions	0.84
Yam	3.60
Water lily root	5.52
Pumpkin	3.10
Taro, Reddish small	2.85
Taro, Reddish large	3.75
Onion	1.70
Long Beans	22.70
Ginger, superior	12.05
Garlic	1.80
Potato	4.80
Green Cucumber	4.80

PEAK TRAMWAYS, CO., LTD.

IMPROVEMENTS TO TRACK.

MOTORS AFFECTING RECEIPTS?

Mr. Henry Humphreys, (Chairman) said, at the annual general meeting of the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., which was held yesterday in the Hong Kong Hotel, that during the year under review the old 35lb. rails had been replaced by 45lb. rails and the curve had been straightened out at the passing place. The more up-to-date operating mechanism had been made in the Company's workshops and the work carried out by their staff. The traffic receipts had been affected by motor-car competition.

Supporting the Chairman were Messrs. J. Scott Harston, R. E. Coxon and L. J. Davies (Directors) and Mr. G. Rapp (Secretary).

The Chairman addressed the meeting as follows:—

During the year under review the replacement of the old 35lb. rails by new 45lb. rails was completed for the full length of the track. This new work included the straightening out of the curve at the passing place, the laying of new points and the erection of a new Points House with more up to date operating mechanism which was made entirely in our own workshop. The whole of this work was carried out by our own staff without serious interruption to the service. All works commenced under capital charges have now been completed and we do not anticipate any further expenditure in this connection for some considerable time.

Motor Car Competition.

Turning to the accounts, traffic receipts show a falling off of \$4,581.55, and the net profit of \$1,470.34, as compared with the previous year. As regards traffic receipts, there is no doubt we have been affected to some extent by motor car competition, which will probably become more accentuated when May Road is opened up for motor traffic.

Increases on Assets Side Explained.

As regards the very big increase under the heading Stations, Leaseholds and Buildings amounting to \$246,760.65, I would remark that nearly the whole of this increase is due to sundry items, viz., Upper terminus, reconstruction lower terminus, car shelter lower terminus, engine house, inland lot 2306, Bowen Road, and workshop, Lugard Road (formerly shown separately), being included under this one heading, at the suggestion of the auditors.

The increase in Electric Haulage Plant of \$3,908.72 is due to workshop equipment (formerly shown separately) being, at the request of the auditors, incorporated under this heading.

The increase in Permanent Way of \$9,127.11 represents the final expenditure in connection with the flattening of the curve at the passing place and other items in connection with same, already referred to.

The adoption of the report and statement of accounts was carried unanimously on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. F. W. Stapleton. No question was asked.

Other Business.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. D. Wilson, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. J. Scott Harston, R. E. Coxon and L. J. Davies were re-elected directors.

On the proposal of Mr. D. E. Clark, seconded by Mr. W. Morley, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Linstead & Davis were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$250 each per annum.

Shareholders Present.

The following shareholders were present:—Messrs. S. F. Chubb, D. E. Clark, W. Morley, V. F. Soares, F. W. Stapleton, D. Wilson, and J. M. Wong.

HONG KONG TUG AND LIGHTER CO.

LIQUIDATORS APPOINTED.

At an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd., held at the Company's offices, St. George's Building, yesterday, it was decided that the Company should voluntarily be wound up and liquidators appointed.

Mr. R. G. Sheehan, in the chair, proposed that the Company be wound up voluntarily. Mr. Li Tse Fong seconded and this was carried.

Mr. J. H. Seth and Mr. S. H. Ross were appointed liquidators on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. C. P. Marcel.

Besides the Chairman there were present Mr. Li Tse Fong and Mr. C. P. Marcel (members of the Consulting Committee), Mr. A. A. Botelho (secretary), Mr. I. W. Sheehan, Mr. A. Keith, Mr. F. Dwyer, Mr. J. Toppin and Mr. E. C. Randall.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

H.K. Bank	\$1,250	1,242 1/2
Do.	2,182	nom.
Chartered Bank	\$199	buy.
Mercantile Bank, A.	123 1/2	nom.
Do.	215 1/2	nom.
P. & O. Bank	294	nom.
East Asia Bank	304	nom.
Canton Insurance	855	buy.
Union Insurance	834 1/2	330
North China Ins.	180	buy.
Yangtze Insurance	11	330
China Underwriters	81 1/2	buy.
H.K. Fire Ins.	775	nom.
Donghai	27 1/2	nom.
H.K. Steamboats	354	sel.
H.K. Tugs	240	sel.
Indo-China (Prof.)	350 1/2	buy.
Do. (Let.)	370	nom.
Shell Transport	97 1/2	nom.
Union Waterworks	422	nom.
Bengal	82	buy.
Kanung Mining Admin.	8 1/2	nom.
Langkai (combined)	14	nom.
Do. (single)	7 1/2	nom.
S'hai. Explorations	14 1/2	nom.
Shanghai Loans	14 1/2	sel.
Banco	84	nom.
Treasury Notes	17 1/2	nom.
H.K. & S. Wharves	131 1/2	131 1/2
H.K. & W. Docks	435	buy.
Cable Provision	4 1/2	4 1/2
Hangkai	168	nom.
New Engineering	5 55	buy.
Shanghai Docks	15 1/2	buy.
Euro Cottons	12 1/2	buy.
Orinoco Cottons	12 1/2	buy.
S'hai. Cottons (old)	67 1/2	buy.
Do. (new)	30	nom.
H.K. & S. Hauls	870	buy.
H.K. Lands	84 1/2	nom.
Shanghai Lands	141	buy.
Hampshire Estates	114	buy.
H.K. Estates	77 1/2	740 1/2
H.K. Tramways	112 1/2	buy.
Do. (new)	112 1/2	buy.
Swire	267	nom.
Union Light, Gas Rights	112 1/2	buy.
Do. Ex Rights	112 1/2	buy.
Do. Rights	790	buy.
H.K. Electric	55	buy.
Macao Electric	38 1/2	nom.
Sandakan Lights	42 1/2	sel.
Telephone	37	buy.
Cable Buses	114 1/2	buy.
Singapore Tractors	11 1/2	sel.
Do. (old)	6 1/2	nom.
China Sugar	80	cta. buy.
Malayan Sugars	327	nom.
Canton Loo	112 1/2	buy.
Cementa (combined)	810	sel.
Do. (old)	37 1/2	nom.
Do. (new)	3140	nom.
H.K. Rope	87	sel.
United Asbestos	85	buy.
Dairy Farms	112 1/2	nom.
Watsons	112 1/2	nom.
Der A Wing	80	cta. buy.
Lao Crawford	82	sel.
Mackintosh	118	buy.
Buconer	1110	buy.
W. M. Powell	33 1/2	sel.
H. A. Amusements	129 1/2	buy.
A. K. Constructions	11 1/2	sel.
Deque India G. Bonds	27 1/2	nom.
H.K. Govt. Loans	114	prem. buy.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ROBRY, June 7.	
Paris	124.05
New York	4.84 29/32
Brussels	34.92
Geneva	25.195
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.335
Stockholm	18.135
Copenhagen	18.205
Oslo	18.195
Vienna	34.52
Prague	183 1/2
Helsingfors	183 1/2
Madrid	14.875
Lisbon	108 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	81 1/2
Rio	5 1/2
Buenos Aires	47 3/16
Bombay	1/5 5/32
Shanghai	2/31
Hong Kong	1/104
Yokohama	1/9 21/32
Silver (spot)	24
Silver (forward)	24 1/16

PINEAPPLE INDUSTRY.

LAND FOR SETTLERS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

[“D.P.” Special Service.]

As a step towards encouraging the development of the pineapple industry in the Philippines, Acting Governor-General Gilmore has set aside 10,000 hectares (24,710 acres) of the best land in Libona and Sante Fe, Bukidnon, Mindanao, as a pineapple reserve.

The land will be open to settlers. The Philippine Packing Corporation, which has a factory and a plantation adjoining the reservation, will furnish seeds and will extend financial aid to the settlers. The packing corporation has been experimenting with pineapples in the Bukidnon district for years, and how is understood to have developed a fruit which equals, if it does not excel, the Hawaiian pineapple.

Judge Cluer, to a plaintiff's solicitor at Shoreditch: If you kindly extinguish yourself by sitting on the seat provided for you, the defendant can have his turn. The solicitor promptly sat down.

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ELECTRIC LOCOS.

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An order has just been completed by Greenwood and Batley, Ltd., of Leeds, for China. This consists of a series of seven electric trolley locomotives, suitable for running on an 18-in. gauge track, and capable of giving a normal draw-bar pull of 9,000 lb. (910 kgs.) at a speed of approximately 10 kilometres per hour.

These locos are intended for use in coal mines and each incorporates two 20 h.p. motors driven by current collected from a trolley wire by means of a pantograph collector. Thus they are not battery trucks though their design is such that they could readily be altered for use with batteries. As their length is about 10 ft., they are of handy dimensions and should prove useful for any kind of mine work.

Cuban producing interests have been making heavy hedge sales of most distant positions against holdings of Raws. Our correspondents think a renewal of buying interest will appear when a substantial increase in the duty becomes certain.

Refiners continue to be governed by the limited trade demand which shows no signs of developing. The Philippine Islands have made C & F sales at 1.13/10c.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 350 METRES.

1.45 p.m.—Weather report.
5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese music. (Records supplied by The Sincere Co., Ltd.)
7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—Evening programme. (Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.)
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

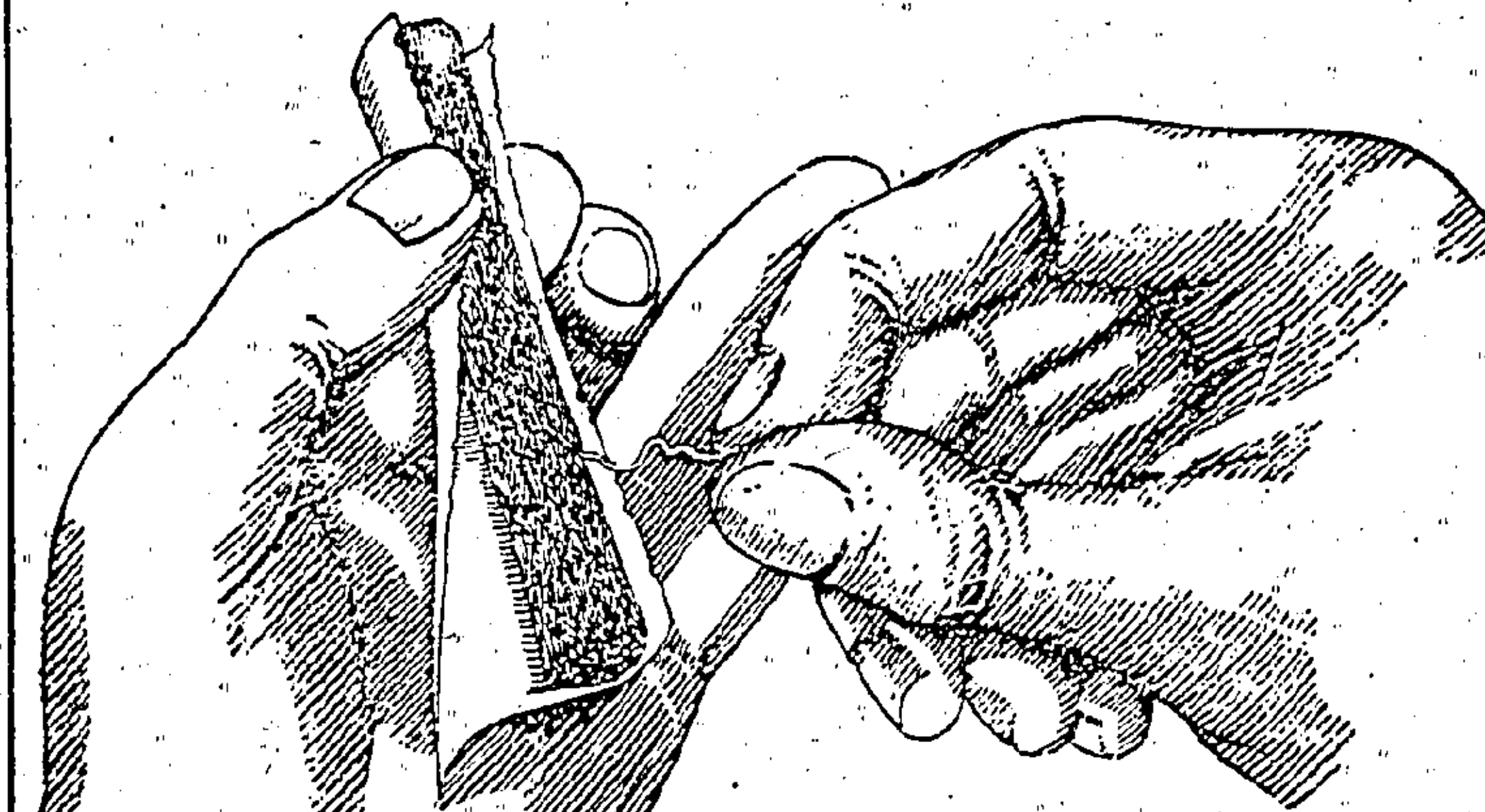
SUNDAY'S RADIO.

The following programme will be broadcast from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres:—
1.45 p.m.—Weather report.
5.35 p.m.—Evening Service relayed from St. John's Cathedral. Preacher: His Lordship The Bishop.
7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—Evening programme. (H.M.V. records supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.)
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

Tower Bridge magistrate: Do you want to be separated from your wife? Man: It is not my wish. Magistrate: Only your habit.

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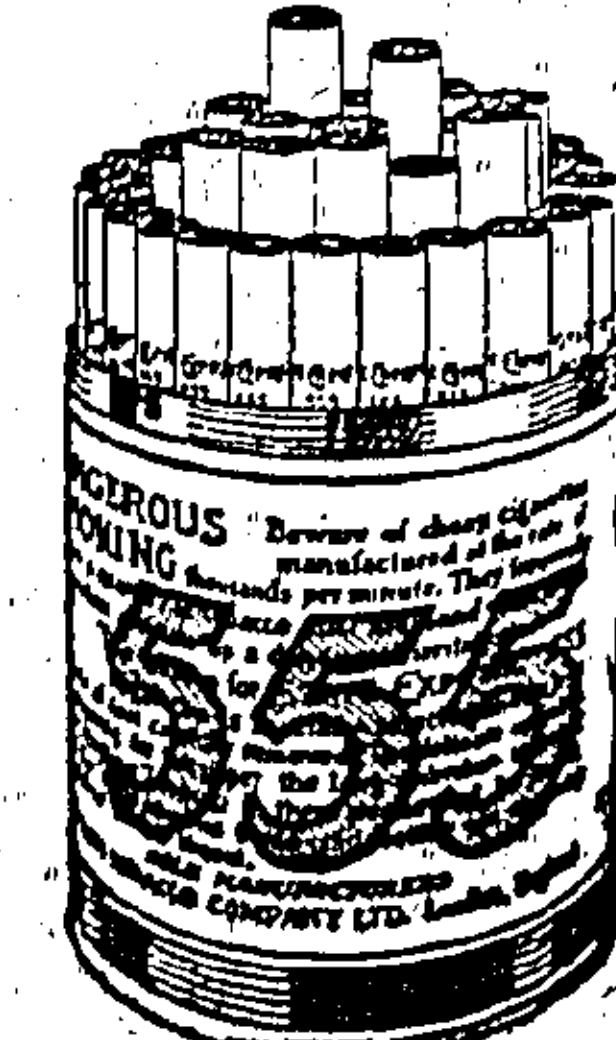
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Pres. Harrison, June 30, 8 a.m. Pres. Wilson, June 11, 8 a.m.
Pres. Johnson, June 14, 8 a.m. Pres. Van Buren, June 23, 8 a.m.

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WARSHIPS FOR ARGENTINA.

TENDERS CAUSE LIBEL ACTION.

BRITISH FIRMS AT LAW.

Before Mr. Justice McCardie, a settlement was announced in the King's Bench Division of an action in which J. Samuel White and Co., Limited, shipbuilders of Cowes, Isle of Wight, claimed damages for libel from John I. Thornycroft and Co., Limited, shipbuilders and engineers.

Mr. Stuart Bevan, K.C., said that J. Samuel White and Co., Limited, were well-known builders of warships for the British Government and for foreign Powers. John I. Thornycroft and Co., Limited, carried on a similar business. From the nature of that business and the necessarily restricted number of customers for warships the two firms were constantly in competition.

Three Super-Destroyers.

At the beginning of 1927 the Argentine Government had invited tenders for the building and equipment of three destroyer tenders. Messrs. White sent in a tender of £348,000 for each vessel, a total of £1,044,000. The tenders were dealt with by Admiral Galindez of the Argentine Navy, whose headquarters were at Genoa.

Messrs. Thornycroft also tendered. In April, 1927, they learned that their tender was considerably higher than Messrs. White's tender and other tenders. Their representative in Argentina telegraphed to London giving the figures of the different tenders and asking for "all arguments that you can give to explain the difference."

Messrs. Thornycroft sent to their representative two telegrams which were transcribed and sent to the Argentine Minister of Marine. In a letter covering those telegrams Messrs. Thornycroft's representative stated:—

"I give hereunder translations of two telegrams received from my principals:—
"For your information necessary action other firms quoting strictly Broderick type machinery. White financially unsound. Present method unfairly handicaps honest tenders."
The immediate consequence of that statement was that, when Messrs. White went to Genoa in connection with their tender, they were met with a demand that, if their tender were accepted, a guarantee should be given for £1,000,000. When they pressed for the reason for the request they were shown the telegrams which had been sent to the Argentine.

No Truth in Statement.

There was not a shadow of truth in the statement complained of. Admiral Galindez was referred to the British Admiralty and, in view of the eminently satisfactory information which was received from that source, a guarantee for £200,000 was accepted. That guarantee involved Messrs. White in a cost of £2,000. Messrs. White obtained the contract and it was now nearing completion.

One of the terms of the settlement of the action was that a substantial sum of money over and above the £6,000 out-of-pocket expenses should be paid to compensate Messrs. White, so far as was possible, for the wrong which had been done them. Messrs. Thornycroft had apologized and expressed their regret at the publication of the matter complained of and an undertaking would be given that there would be no repetition of the alleged libel or of any similar statement. Messrs. White's costs would also be paid.

Mr. Birkett said that the fact that Messrs. White recognized that their best to redress the wrong which had been done made his task a little easier. On behalf of Messrs. Thornycroft, he expressed their deep regret for what had happened and he apologized fully to Messrs. White. The imputation conveyed by the words complained of had not the smallest justification. The words, contained in the telegram, or words like them, would never be repeated by Messrs. Thornycroft. He hoped that the two firms would have no further friction.

Mr. Justice McCardie said that it was apparent that the honour and financial strength of Messrs. White had been vindicated in the fullest possible manner. Messrs. Thornycroft had acted with a full measure of propriety in the statement which they had made and the compensation which they had offered.

The action was withdrawn on the terms endorsed on counsel's briefs.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers are expected on June 9 by the steamship Suwa Maru from Europe:—Mrs. E. M. Bato, Mrs. Bethell, Mrs. I. S. Brown, Miss I. M. Green, Mr. Chiu He Im, Mr. E. W. Matthews, Mrs. G. Matthews, Mr. E. H. Matthews, Miss White, Mr. J. S. Brown, Mrs. F. E. Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. H. Spear, Mrs. J. Spear, Mrs. M. M. Thomas, Mrs. Carnduff, Mr. Nind, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. O'Donnell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Strong, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by the s.s. Delta from Yokohama:—Mrs. C. Ayers, Signa, Andrews, Mr. L. Beswick, Mr. T. Brown, Dvr/Fr. Bendall, L/Sergt. Barrett, Sergt. Bishop, Signa, Boswell, Signa, Bassett, Spr. E. A. Becker, Spr. W. J. W. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell, Major D. G. Cheyne, Crpl. C. Cowin, Pte. H. Clave, Mrs. H. H. Dawson, Signa, Dwyer, D.S.O., Col. and Mrs. T. E. Fielding, Pte. Fairfield, Signa, D. Ferguson, Mr. D. Gilruth, Mr. A. A. W. Grist, Mrs. G. E. Gilbert and infant, Cpl. C. Goldsmith, S/Sgt. Gammill, Signa, Govier, Signa, Gill, Mr. T. M. Hsu, Miss D. Hittle, Mr. W. S. Hawthorne, Mr. J. M. Henry, Signa, Holmes, Signa, Holmes, Signa, Hogan, Signa, Hughes, Signa, Horne, Cpl. H. Jenkins, Sgt. Knight, Sgt. H. Kail, L/Sgt. Linton, S/Sgt. W. J. Lock, Signa, Lawton, Mr. A. Mallinson, Miss M. Morris, Mrs. E. M. Mitchell, Miss A. MacLeish, Capt. A. MacLewine, Mr. J. McKenzie, T/Sgt. McIlwaine, Mrs. O. F. Nelson, L/Cpl. Newstead, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. B. Priest, Mr. S. G. Paret, S/M. D. G. Pearce, L/Cpl. Pritchard, Pte. R. Reed, Miss E. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Symon and two children, A. E. Steelake, L/Cpl. Smith, Cpl. Sanders, L/Sgt. Sheen, T/Sgt. Stoddart, S.F.O. G. Smith, Signa, Turner, Spr. A. Vince, Mrs. C. H. Wong.

DIAMOND LOST FROM A RING.

JEWELLER TO PAY DAMAGES TO AN ACTRESS.

Mr. Justice Roche, in the King's Bench Division, gave judgment for Mrs. Violet Bleach, a music-hall, comedy, and variety artist, and Mr. Albert Whelan, a music-hall artist, for £500 damages for breach of warranty in the sale of a single-stone diamond ring valued at £800 purchased from Mr. M. S. Well, a jeweller, of Church End, Finchley, whom they sued.

The ring was worn by Mrs. Bleach when she went with Mr. Whelan to see dog racing at the White City, and when she removed her glove she discovered that the diamond was missing.

Mr. Well contended that the ring was in perfect condition when it was sent to Mr. Whelan, who handed it to Mrs. Bleach.

Mr. Justice Roche, in his judgment, held that the ring was defective in the setting when it was delivered, and that it had not been damaged by being worn by Mrs. Bleach or by pressure or a blow.

The defects, in his opinion, accounted for the disappearance of the diamond.

Mr. Justice Roche directed that the parties should pay their own costs.

CINEMA NEWS.

"RILEY, THE COP" TUESDAY AT QUEEN'S.

James Farrell Macdonald and Louise Fazenda are the leading players in "Riley, the Cop" a comedy which will be shown on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Queen's. Macdonald, as a New York policeman seldom makes an arrest. When he is sent abroad to bring back a prisoner, however, he meets Lena (Miss Fazenda) in a Munich beer garden, and the prisoner finds that he must escort his guard back to America!

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Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival, will be subject to Rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Gossard & Dobson, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 26th June, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

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Hong Kong, 6th June, 1929. [7839]

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th June, will be subject to Rent.

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6th June, 1929. [7891]

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TJISALAK	DALNY, K'ung & Amoy	17th June	19th June 4 p.m.	MANILA, M'KAR & SOERABAYA
TJISONDARI	S'hai & Amoy	24th June	26th June 4 p.m.	BATAVIA
TJILEBOET	S'hai, K'ung & Amoy	30th June	2nd July 4 p.m.	MANILA, M'KAR & SOERABAYA
TJIKEMBANG	S'hai & Amoy	4th July	6th July 4 p.m.	BATAVIA

NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJILEBOET	JAVA, MAKASSAR	12th June	14th June	Amoy & S'hai
TJISONDARI	BATAVIA	12th June	14th June	Amoy & S'hai
TJIKEMBANG	BATAVIA	22nd June	24th June	Amoy & S'hai
TJIKINI	JAVA, MAKASSAR	26th June	28th June	Amoy & S'hai
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	3rd July	5th July	Amoy & S'hai
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Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.

AMOI.

Kwangtung, B. & S., June 9.
Santhia, B.I., June 10.
Haiyang, Douglas, June 11.
Shantung, B. & S., June 11.
Haiching, Douglas, June 11.
Tijebot, J.C.J.L., June 14.
Kiangchow, B. & S., June 14.
Kiangchow, B. & S., June 14.
Sunning, B. & S., June 15.
Tikembang, J.C.J.L., June 24.
Tilawa, B.I., June 29.
Tikini, J.C.J.L., June 29.
Takada, B.I., July 1.

ANTWERP.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 10.
Asuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Malaya, Manners, June 21.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Change, B. & S., June 12.
Calulu, Dodwell's, June 22.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., June 24.
St. Albans, E. & A., July 5.

BALTIC PORTS.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Malaya, Manners, June 21.

BALTIMORE.

City of Mobile, Bank, June 18.
Larchbank, Bank, June 21.
Machon, B.F., July 3.

BANGKOK.

Kaying, B. & S., June 9.
Kingman, B. & S., June 12.
Hellas, Thoreson's, June 16.
Kwangchow, B. & S., June 16.
Helios, Thoreson's, June 23.
Hirundo, Thoreson's, June 30.
Hiram, Thoreson's, July 7.

BELAWAN DELI.

Main, Melchers, June 19.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.

BOMBAY.

Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Rajputana, P. & O., June 22.
Tattori Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.

BOSTON.

City of Mobile, Bank, June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Takaka Maru, N.Y.K., June 19.
Javanese Prince, Furness, June 29.
Larchbank, Bank, June 21.
British Prince, Furness, July 4.
Machon, B.F., July 8.

BREMER.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Zosma, J.C.J.L., June 17.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.

BRINDISI.

Fiume, Dodwell's, June 15.
Venezia, Dodwell's, July 5.

CALCUTTA.

Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., June 8.
Namsang, Jardine's, June 9.
Taima, B.I., June 12.
Yuenang, Jardine's, June 14.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Santhia, B.I., July 4.

CEBU.

Washington, S.S.S., June 17.
Golden Tide, S.S.S., June 21.
Michigan, States S.S., July 2.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., June 14.
Huichow, B. & S., June 23.

COLOMBO.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Asuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Fiume, Dodwell's, June 15.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Angers, M.M., June 18.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Rajputana, P. & O., June 22.
Tattori Maru, N.Y.K., June 27.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Perim, P. & O., June 29.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.
General Mettinger, M.M., July 2.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., July 5.
Kashgar, P. & O., July 8.

COPENHAGEN.

Delhi, Gilman's, June 14.
Malaya, Manners, June 21.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.

DALNY.

Kanchow, B. & S., June 9.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Yingchow, B. & S., June 19.
Derfingier, Melchers, July 2.

DUTCH PORTS.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 9.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 14.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Asuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Malaya, Manners, June 21.
Perseus, B.F., June 23.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Glennier, Jardine's, June 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., July 2.

FOOCHOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, June 11.
Haiching, Douglas, June 14.

GENOA.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Zosma, J.C.J.L., June 17.
Cyclops, B.F., June 20.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., July 2.

GLASGOW.

Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Cyclops, B.F., June 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Delhi, Gilman's, June 14.
Malaya, Manners, June 21.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingman, B. & S., June 12.
Ichang, B. & S., June 14.
Tonkin, M.M., June 18.

HAMBURG.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 9.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 14.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
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Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Glennier, Jardine's, June 29.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., July 2.

HONOLULU.

Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, July 2.
Eclipse, States S.S., July 7.

ILOILO.

Eclipse, S.S.S., June 11.
Washington, S.S.S., June 17.
Golden Tide, S.S.S., June 21.
Michigan, States S.S., July 2.

JAPAN PORTS.

Nippon, Dwell's, June 8.
Panama, Manners, June 8.
Machon, B.F., June 9.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Mirzapore, P. & O., June 10.
Santhia, B.I., June 10.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., June 10.
Bingo Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Tilington Court, P. & O., June 11.
Machon, B.F., June 12.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Alipore, P. & O., June 18.
Andre Lebon, M.M., June 18.
Kumsang, Jardine's, June 18.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.
Bellerophon, B.F., June 19.
Danmark, Manners, June 20.
Glennier, Jardine's, June 20.
Protillaus, B.F., June 20.
Timawa, Dodwell's, June 20.
Achilles, B.F., June 21.
Khiva, P. & O., June 21.
Takada, B.I., June 21.
Glennier, Jardine's, June 22.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, June 23.
Rhinecland, J.C.J.L., June 23.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., June 23.
Nagars, Gilman's, June 23.
Tilawa, B.I., June 23.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., July 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, July 2.
Adrasius, B.F., July 3.
Khyber, P. & O., July 3.
Aldington Court, Jar., July 7.
Phemius, B.F., July 8.

KANGAROO.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., June 8.
Namsang, Jardine's, June 9.
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MANILA.

Eclipse, Everett, June 8.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 8.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Tisore, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Washington, S.S.S., June 17.
Zosma, J.C.J.L., June 17.
Change, B. & S., June 19.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., June 18.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, June 18.
Tisalak, J.C.J.L., June 19.
Javanese Prince, Furness, June 20.
Calulu, Dodwell's, June 22.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, June 22.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., June 24.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., July 2.
Michigan, States S.S., July 2.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., July 2.
St. Albans, E. & A., July 5.
Machon, B.F., July 8.

MARSEILLES.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 10.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., June 13.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.
Asuta Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Angers, M.M., June 18.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Rajputana, P. & O., June 22.
Perseus, B.F., June 23.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., June 29.
Perim, P. & O., June 29.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.
General Mettinger, M.M., July 2.
Kashgar, P. & O., July 8.

NAPLES.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.

NEWCHANG.

Kanchow, B. & S., June 9.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

City of Mobile, Bank, June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Yingchow, B. & S., June 16.
Takaka Maru, N.Y.K., June 19.
Javanese Prince, Furness, June 29.
Larchbank, Bank, June 21.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, June 30.
British Prince, Furness, July 4.
Machon, B.F., July 8.

NORTH CHINA.

Panama, Manners, June 8.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Danmark, Manners, June 14.
Patroclus, B.F., June 27.
Derfingier, Melchers, July 2.

ORAN.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
Main, Melchers, June 19.
Trier, Melchers, June 29.

OSLO.

Delhi, Gilman's, June 14.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.

PANAMA.

Takaka Maru, N.Y.K., June 19.

PENANG.

Ansigir, Melchers, June 8.
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PLYMOUTH.

Rajputana, P. & O., June 22.

PORTLAND.

Iowa, S.S.S., June 20.
Kentucky, S.S.S., June 29.

RABAT.

Calulu, Dodwell's, June 22.

RANGOON.

Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., June 8.
Taima, B.I., June 12.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
SAIGON.
Angers, M.M., June 18.
General Mettinger, M.M., July 2.
SANDAKAN.
Mausang, Jardine's, June 18.
Calulu, Dodwell's, June 22.
Hinsang, Jardine's, June 23.
St. Albans, E. & A., July 5.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Golden Hind, S.S.S., June 8.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.
Iowa, S.S.S., June 20.
Kentucky, S.S.S., June 29.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, July 2.
Golden Sun, States S.S., July 2.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Malaya, Manners, June 21.
Canton, Gilman's, June 29.
Siam, Manners, June 30.

SEATTLE.

Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.
Protillaus, B.F., June 20.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, June 25.
Yokohama Maru, N.Y.K., July 1.

SHANGHAI.

Nippon, Dwell's, June 8.
Panama, Manners, June 8.
Kwangchow, Jardine's, June 9.
Machon, B.F., June 9.
Kueichow, B. & S., June 9.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 13.
Santhia, B.I., June 10.

SHANGHAI.—(Continued).

Soochow, B. & S., June 9.
Mirzapore, P. & O., June 10.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., June 10.
Bingo Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Machon, B.F., June 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Tilington Court, P. & O., June 11.
Kwangchow, Jardine's, June 12.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Chenann, B. & S., June 13.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Tilboat, J.C.J.L., June 14.
Tisonari, J.C.J.L., June 14.
City of Athens, Bank, June 16.
Hopsang, Jardine's, June 16.
Suiyang, B. & S., June 16.
Yingchow, B. & S., June 16.
Danmark, Manners, June 17.
Glennier, Jardine's, June 17.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.
Kuman, P. & O., June 18.
Namsang, Jardine's, June 18.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.
Sunning, B. & S., June 19.
Bellerophon, B.F., June 19.
Yatsing, Jardine's, June 19.
Timawa, Dodwell's, June 20.
Achilles, B.F., June 21.
Khiva, P. & O., June 21.
Glennier, Jardine's

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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 9th June, 2 p.m.
SANTAU, SWATOW & DALY	"KANCHOW"	On 9th June, 3 p.m.
HONGKONG, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KINGYUAN"	On 12th June, 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 13th June, 10 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"ICHANG"	On 14th June, 10 a.m.
WIKAIWAI, CUSTO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHO"	On 14th June, 11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 16th June, 6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"BUIYANG"	On 16th June, 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 16th June, 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, NEWCHANG & DALY	"YINGCHOW"	On 16th June, 5 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 18th June, 5 p.m.
WIKAIWAI, CUSTO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHO"	On 25th June, 11 a.m.

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JUNE 6, 1929.										JUNE 7, 1929.									
STATION	HONG KONG Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		THERMOMETER	HUMIDITY	WIND		HONG KONG Time	HONG KONG Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		THERMOMETER	HUMIDITY	WIND		HONG KONG Time	HONG KONG Time		
		INCHES	MILLIS.			DIRECTION	FORCE			INCHES	MILLIS.			DIRECTION	FORCE				
Wladivostok ...	12	29.83	757.6	64	...	W	2	b	6	29.86	758.4	51	...	SE	4	f			
Nemuro	11	29.98	767.5	...	...	ENE	1	...	5	29.82	747.5	...	...	NE	4	...			
Hokodate	"	29.80	737.0	...	...	E	1	...	...	29.78	758.5	...	...	W	1	...			
Tokio	"	29.33	745.0	...	...	NNW	2	...	...	29.76	756.0	...	...	NE	1	...			
Kochi	"	29.37	731.0	...	...	NNW	3	...	...	29.69	754.0	...	...	W	1	...			
Nagasaki	"	29.72	753.0	...	...	N	1	...	...	29.78	756.5	...	...	N	1	0			
Kagoshima	"	29.67	753.5	...	...	NW	1	...	...	29.75	753.5	...	...	NW	1	...			
Oshima	"	29.67	753.5	...	...	NNW	1	...	...	29.78	756.5	...	...	N	1	...			
Naha	"	29.39	751.3	...	...	NW	6	...	...	29.76	756.0	...	...	SSE	1	...			
Ishigakijima	"	29.80	757.0	...	...	NNW	1	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	SW	1	...			
Bonin Island	"	29.90	759.5	...	...	S	1	...	...	25.72	754.9	68	70	W	1	b			
Chefoo	15	29.72	754.9	78	64	E	2	b	6	29.87	758.7	69	100	SE	1	b			
Shanghai	14	29.80	756.9	81	59	NE	2	o	...	29.91	759.7	67	91	NE	1	o			
Guanghai	"	29.85	758.2	74	81	NNE	1	of	...	29.77	756.1	75	86	E	2	of			
Sharp Peak	"	29.68	753.9	84	83	S	2	b	6	29.78	754.4	80	100	SSE	4	b			
Amoy	"	29.71	754.6	88	93	SSE	4	b	6	29.74	753.4	78	91	SW	2	b			
Swatow	"	29.73	754.9	89	81	S	2	b	...	29.78	750.4	78	...	...	...	...			
Taihou	11	29.75	755.7	90	60	N	2	b	...	29.79	756.6	73	91	...	0	o			
Taihu	"	29.80	756.9	90	...	SSW	2	b	...	29.87	758.6	73	...	...	0	o			
Tainan	"	29.80	756.9	90	...	WSW	3	b	...	29.81	757.2	73	...	...	0	r			
Koshun	"	29.81	757.3	86	...	WNW	2	b	...	29.79	756.6	73	...	...	0	o			
Pescadores	"	29.80	756.9	86	...	SSW	4	b	...	29.79	756.6	79	...	...	0	o			
Hong Kong	14	29.72	754.9	89	84	SSW	2	c	6	29.73	755.1	80	90	ENE	1	c			
Gap Rock	"	29.74	755.4	...	...	SW	3	c	...	29.73	755.1	...	...	SE	3	c			
Macao	"	29.71	754.5	93	61	SSW	2	c	...	29.68	733.9	61	84	SSE	2	o			
Hohow	"	29.64	752.8	91	75	ESE	1	c	...	29.75	758.0	80	95	S	2	bc			
Pratas Island	"	29.77	756.1	82	72	SSW	1	b	...	29.67	733.6	75	100	NE	1	o			
Phu Lien	15	29.65	753.0	86	75	SE	1	o	7	29.74	755.4	82	...	SW	2	o			
Tourane	"	29.68	753.9	86	...	SSE	2	o	...	29.74	755.4	79	90	SW	2	o			
Cape St. James	"	29.80	756.9	86	...	SSW	2	o	...	29.74	755.4	79	90	S	1	b			
Basco	14	29.78	756.3	79	90	NW	2	r	6	29.74	755.4	79	94	S	2	b			
Aparri	"	29.76	756.0	84	77	N	2	o	...	29.79	756.6	77	94	S	2	b			
Tuguegarao	"	29.74	755.3	93	59	N	1	o	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Vigan	"	29.80	756.9	79	95	SW	2	r	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Manila	"	29.81	757.2	86	68	WSW	4	o	...	29.82	757.5	79	91	...	...	...			
Legaspi	"	29.78	756.3	93	57	WSW	4	o	...	29.81	757.2	77	94	...	...	...			
Calbayog	"	29.78	756.3	90	73	WSW	4	o	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Tacloban	"	29.79	756.6	86	73	S	4	o	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Davao	"	29.79	756.6	86	78	SW	4	o	...	29.82	757.5	77	92	...	...	...			
Cebu	"	29.76	756.0	90	55	S	1	b	...	29.82	757.5	77	94	...	...	...			
Surigao	"	29.76	756.3	90	60	...	...	...	...	29.81	759.7	78	...	E	3	c			
Saipan	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	...	...	E	1	b			
Guam	12.22	29.83	758.1	...	...	E	1	o	4.22	29.86	758.4	...	...	E	2	b			
Yap	11.00	29.84	757.8	...	...	E	4	o	5	29.85	758.2	78	...	E	2	c			
Pelew	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.86	756.8	80	...	NE	2	c			
Ponape	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.86	758.4	77	91	SW	1	r			
Labuan	14	29.78	756.4	88	83	NE	4	b	6	29.86	758.4	77	91	SW	1	r			

June 7d. 11a. 15m.—Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of Bonins. The typhoon has passed into Pacific leaving the secondary depression over south Japan. A weak anticyclone area is situated over the lower Yangtze Valley. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.69 inch. Total since January 1, 1927 inches, against an average of 26.88 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 8th.

District.

- 1.—Formosa Channel
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamcocks
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, June 7.

Fitz. Long Observatory, June 7.			
	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date 10 a.m.	On Date 4 p.m.
Barometer...	29.88	29.76	29.67
Temperature ..	88	89	81
Humidity	67	78	83
Wind			
Direction ..	W	S	NW
Force	2	3	3
Weather	C	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.10
Highest open-air Temperature, 8: 88			
Lowest open-air Temperature, 7: 76			

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning
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 showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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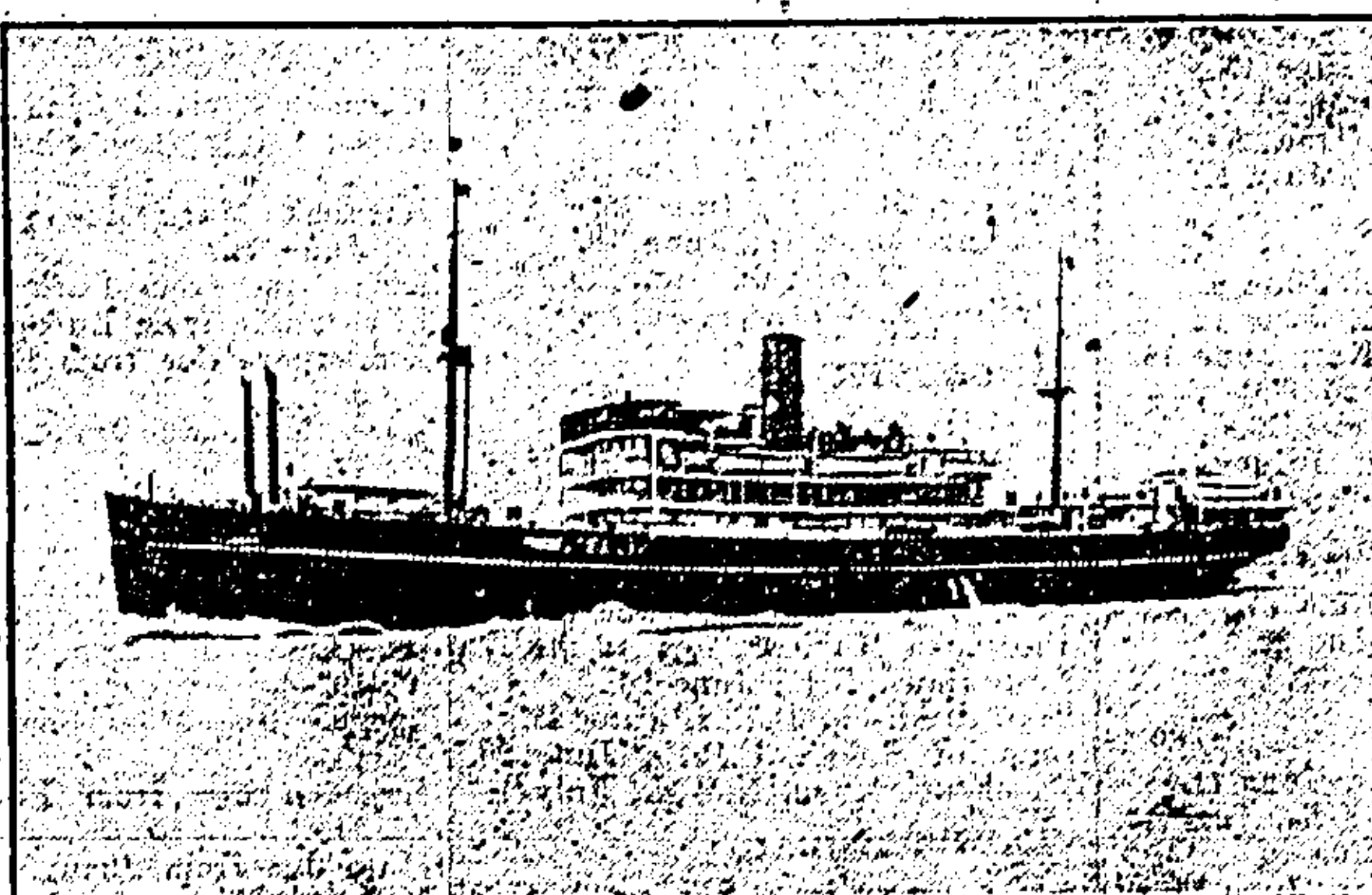
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Mon	10	h. m.	10.26	h. m.	10.26
Tues	11	h. m.	11.14	h. m.	11.14
Wed	12	h. m.	12.03	h. m.	12.03
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OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"KUMSANG" "HOSANG" "KUTSANG"	Tues., 18th June, at 10 a.m. Sat., 22nd June, at 7 a.m. Wed., 10th July, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" "YUENSANG"	Satur., 8th June, at 3 p.m. Fri., 14th June, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Sun., 16th June, at 10 a.m. Fri., 28th June, at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"YUSANG"	Sun., 16th June, at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"HOPSANG"	Mon., 10th June, at 6 p.m.

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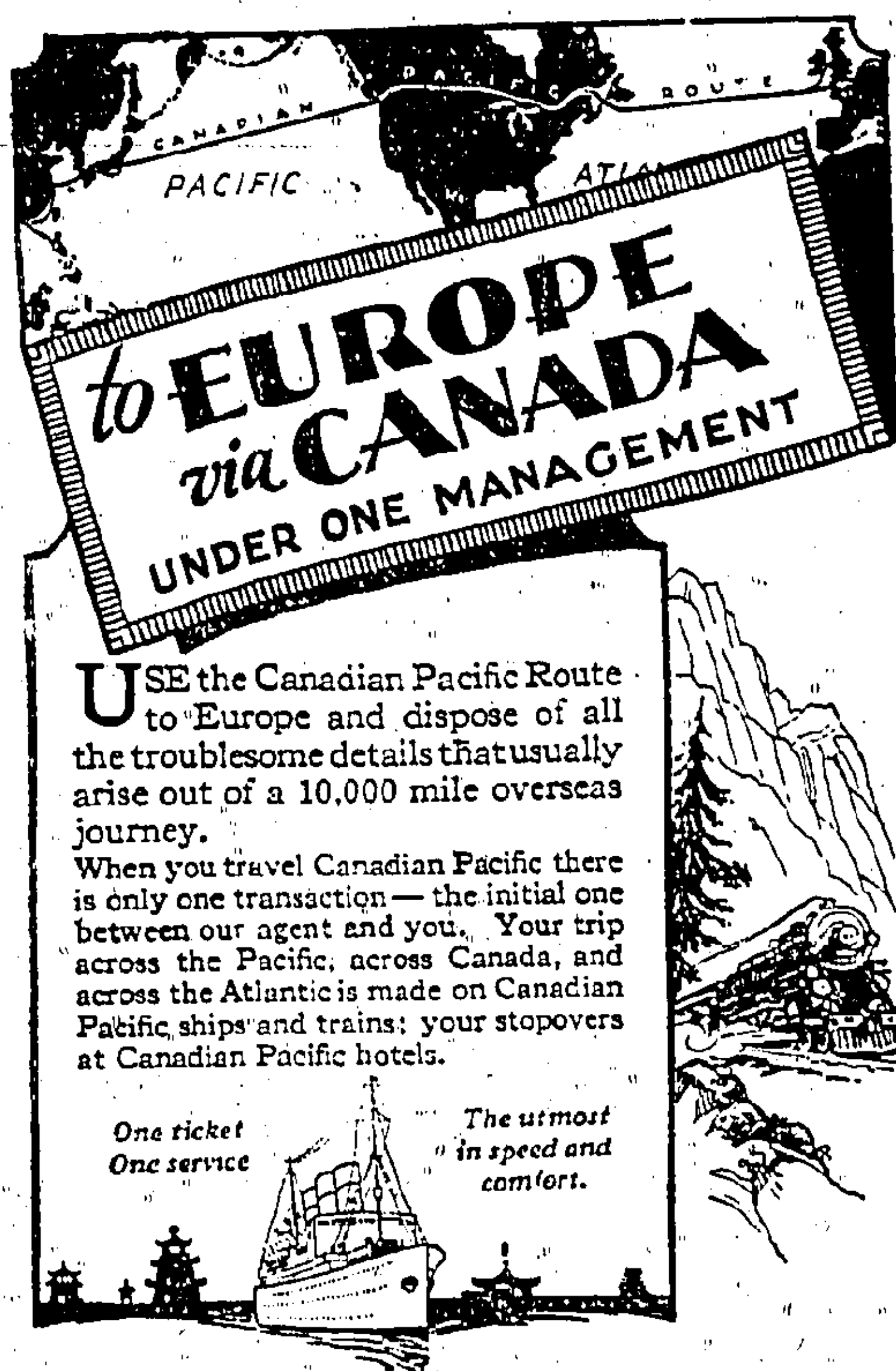
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TOTTORI MARU	...	Thursday, 27th June	
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KAMAKURA MARU	...	Tuesday, 9th July	
NEW YORK, BOSTON, HAVANA via PANAMA.			
TAKAKURA MARU	...	Wednesday, 19th June	
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DAKAR MARU	...	Thursday, 13th June	
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS, 14,000 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO,
19,000 TONS.

The general cargo returns shown at the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday carried by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

British		Through	
Cargoes		Ports	
Comble Bank	1,500	1,500	
Kashgar	780	6,110	
Taan	250	50	
Seistan	250	—	
Kanchow	600	1,180	
	1,610	8,830	
French		Through	
Cargoes		Ports	
Merlin	1,130	—	
	1,130	—	
Norwegian		Through	
Cargoes		Ports	
Concordia	3,500	4,140	
	—	3,500	4,140
Japanese		Through	
Cargoes		Ports	
Sagami Maru	560	1,140	
Ishikari Maru	3,710	—	
Malay Maru	1,150	2,000	
Sungshan Maru	—	500	
Madras Maru	410	2,600	
	—	8,150	6,440
Chinese		Through	
Cargoes		Ports	
San Kwok	30	—	
Hing	—	30	
	30	—	
Total	14,400	19,410	

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

British		Arr.		Dep.	
Cargoes		Arr.		Dep.	
French	1	0			
Norwegian	1	2			
Japanese	5	2			
Chinese	1	1			
Dutch	0	1			
Total	14	10			

SHIPPING IN CHINA.

DIFFICULT CONDITIONS IN PAST YEAR.

Shipping conditions in China during 1928 are reported to have shown an improvement over 1927, one of the most depressed years for both coastal and offshore shipping. The situation during the past year may be described, however, as a difficult one for shipping companies, for shipping, as well as other industries connected with the prosperity of China, has reflected the chaotic conditions that prevailed throughout the country, states the *Commerce Reporter*, the weekly survey of foreign trade published by the United States Department of Commerce.

For some months China nominally has been more or less unified under one Government, but in many cases unification has been more abstract than concrete, and difficulties hindering the progress of trade and business since 1920 were practically as much in evidence as ever, particularly on the great shipping and commercial waterway, the Yangtze River.

Restricted Trade.
Owing to the difficulty, and in many instances the impossibility of moving cargo for export from the interior to shipping ports, to grievous methods of taxation, legal and illegal, to which cargo has been

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

S.S. SANNING ARRIVES FROM WUCHOW.

TOWN STILL "VERY UNSETTLED."

The s.s. Sanning (Captain Best) which arrived here yesterday from Wuchow was the first vessel from that port since the blockade. The master reports that although the trip is now possible, the affairs in Wuchow are very unsettled. Considerable troop movement was noticed and many of the soldiers were thought to be Northerners.

The s.s. Kwong Yung, also made the trip to Wuchow arriving there at the same time as the Sanning. The Sanning left again last night.

Marine Court Cases.

Four mistresses of passenger boats were before Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court yesterday morning for failing to carry their licenses with them on their boats. They pleaded guilty and were each fined \$2 with the alternative of two days' hard labour.

P. & O. Delta Delayed.

Owing to slight fog outside the harbour, the P. & O. steamer Delta arriving from Shanghai with Siberian Mail did not make the port until 2 p.m. She berthed at the Kowloon Wharves.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Seistan (Br.) Swatow 385

Anking (Br.) Singapore, Amoy . . . 11

Lungshan Maru (Jap.) Canton . . . 71

Total 467

subjected to the constant political and military changes that have occurred in some of the chief districts from which goods are sent to foreign countries, and to Government restrictions, the export shipping trade of China during the year was greatly restricted, and on both Pacific and European lines there has been a surfeit of tonnage and a lack of cargo.

Competition in freight has been very keen, and although a few of the large lines on the European run are reputed to have done fairly well, the export shipping business from China in 1928, taken as a whole, may be said to have been poor. Improvement, however, can not really materialise until restrictions on the movement of cargo from the interior, oppressive and illegal taxation, and the general policy of obstruction in the movement of cargo which obtains in some provinces have either been eliminated or brought within a reasonable degree of control.

Piracy a Staple Industry.

On coastal shipping as well as ocean shipping it is difficult to get definite and reliable information covering the relative degree of prosperity that has obtained. Competition is so keen on all routes that freights, while by no means unremunerative, have been kept at a fairly low level, the further incursion of what are known as "out-

ARRIVALS.

June 6.
Anking, British str., 2,047 tons, Capt. R. Ritchie, from Amoy, buoy No. B11.—B. & S.
Cheong On, Chinese str., 882 tons, Capt. Y. Mohri, from Swatow, buoy No. C17.—The Master of his agent.
Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. J. H. Hodgkiss, from Amoy, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.
Malay Maru, Japanese str., 3,250 tons, Capt. Y. Mohri, from Sakito, buoy No. B51.—M.S.K.
Wakasa Maru, Japanese str., 3,770 tons, Capt. N. Komirama, from Moji, buoy No. A1.—N.Y.K.

June 7.
Atlas Maru, Japanese str., 4,511 tons, Capt. S. Takeya, from Singapore, buoy No. A4.—O.S.K.
Delta, British str., 8,097 tons, Capt. W. P. Townshend, R.N.R., from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—P. & O. S.N. Co.
Golden Hind, American str., 4,507 tons, Capt. M. E. Shigley, from Manila, buoy No. A24.—States S.S. & Co.
Ishikari Maru, Japanese str., 3,283 tons, Capt. S. Kimura, from Sakito, buoy No. B54.—Y.K.K.
Muran Maru, Japanese str., 3,221 tons, Capt. T. Nishikawa, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Ninghai, British str., 1,482 tons, Capt. W. Peplow, from Canton, buoy No. C4.—B. & S.
Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. C. Mather, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.
Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. G. Kawamura, from Canton, buoy No. C16.—N.Y.K.

CLEARANCES.

June 7.
Atlas Maru, for Shanghai, Canton, for Haiphong.
Chungking, for Tientsin.
Golden Hind, for San Francisco.
Haining, for Swatow.
Imperial Prince, for Manila.
Kanchow, for Canton.
Kathe, for Hongay.
Kashgar, for Shanghai.
Kwangtung, for Amoy.
Nam Peng, for K. C. Wan.
Ninghai, for Shanghai.
Seistan, for Singapore.
Sungshan Maru, for Swatow.
Taisei Maru, for Hongay.
Torny, for Hongay.
Wakasa Maru, for Singapore.

"side" ships into the routes of the large concerns having had an appreciable effect on the latter's operations.

Nevertheless, coasting shipping, like off-shore shipping, is waiting only for the return of normal conditions in the interior that will permit free and unhindered transportation of cargo, in order to get properly established again.

A further question that is causing deep concern in coastal shipping circles in China at the present time is that of piracy. It is not much more than a century ago since some of the Powers ceased to pay annual blackmail to secure immunity from the attentions of Moorish pirates.

Bribery is out of the question now-a-days, but as piracy is still one of the staple industries on certain sections of the coast of China, steps will have to be taken by the present Government to wipe out this menace.

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"RAJPUTANA"	16,588	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & L'don
"PERIM"	7,648	29th June	Mars, L'don, A'werp, R'tm, H'burg
"KASHGAR"	8,005	6th July	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	6th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"ALFORS"	8,273	13th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KHIVA"	9,135	20th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KIDDERPORE"	6,334	27th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,114	3rd Aug.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MALWA"	10,800	10th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	8,985	17th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MOREA"	10,983	24th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,948	24th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	24th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"ALFORS"	8,273	31st Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KARMALA"	9,128	7th Nov.	Marseilles and London
"KIDDERPORE"	6,334	14th Nov.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st Nov.	Marseilles and London
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	28th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	8,005	23rd Dec.	Marseilles and London
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"TILAWA"	10,008	22nd July	do.
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"TAKADA"	8,949	27th July	do.
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"ARAFURA"	6,000	2nd Aug.	Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	30th Aug.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th Oct.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	1st Nov.	do.

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"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	10th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILSINGTON COURT"	—	11th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"ALIFORE"	5,273	18th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,135	25th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"TILAWA"	10,008	29th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"TAKADA"	8,949	1st July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokoh. & Osaka
"KEYBER"	9,114	8th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	8th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KIDDERPORE"	6,334	8th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th July	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,980	15th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"TAKLIWA"	7,936	15th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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"KASHMIR"	8,985	2nd Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"SHEAF"	—	4th Aug.	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"MOBEA"	10,983	10th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KARMALA"	9,128	30th Aug.	do.
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"KALYAN"	9,144	27th Sept.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama
"NELLORE"	8,883	28th Sept.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	12th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"ALIFORE"	5,273	20th Oct.	do.
"KASHGAB"	9,904	26th Oct.	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	6th Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"RAWALPINDI"	16,810	9th Nov.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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